UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): July 18, 2012

COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-15925 (Commission File Number) 13-3893191 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

4000 Meridian Boulevard Franklin, Tennessee 37067 (Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (615) 465-7000

N/A

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

Indenture Governing CHS/Community Health Systems, Inc.'s 7.125% Senior Notes due 2020

On July 18, 2012, CHS/Community Health Systems, Inc. (the "Issuer"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Community Health Systems, Inc. (the "Company"), issued \$1,200,000,000 aggregate principal amount of its 7.125% Senior Notes due 2020 (the "2020 Notes"). The terms of the 2020 Notes are governed by an indenture, dated July 18, 2012, between the Issuer, the Company, the other guarantors party thereto and Regions Bank, as trustee (the "2020 Notes Indenture"). The 2020 Notes Indenture is being filed as Exhibit 4.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

The 2020 Notes bear interest at a rate of 7.125% per year payable semi-annually in arrears on January 15 and July 15 of each year, commencing January 15, 2013.

The Issuer may redeem some or all of the 2020 Notes at any time prior to July 15, 2016 at a price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the 2020 Notes redeemed plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, plus a "make-whole" premium, as described in the 2020 Notes Indenture. The Issuer may redeem some or all of the 2020 Notes at any time on or after July 15, 2016 at the redemption prices set forth in the 2020 Notes Indenture, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any. In addition, the Issuer may redeem up to 35% of the aggregate principal amount of the 2020 Notes at any time prior to July 15, 2015 using the net proceeds from certain equity offerings at the redemption price set forth in the 2020 Notes Indenture, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any.

If the Company or the Issuer experience a Change of Control (as defined in the 2020 Notes Indenture), the Issuer is required to offer to repurchase the 2020 Notes at 101% of their principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the date of purchase.

The 2020 Notes Indenture provides for customary events of default which include (subject in certain cases to customary grace and cure periods), among others, nonpayment of principal or interest, breach of other agreements in the 2020 Notes Indenture, failure to pay certain other indebtedness, failure to pay certain final judgments, failure of certain guarantees to be enforceable and certain events of bankruptcy or insolvency. The 2020 Notes Indenture contains covenants that, among other things, limit the Company's ability and the ability of its restricted subsidiaries to incur or guarantee additional indebtedness, pay dividends or make other restricted payments, make certain investments, create or incur certain liens, sell assets and subsidiary stock, transfer all or substantially all of the Company's assets or enter into merger or consolidation transactions and enter into transactions with affiliates.

A copy of the press release announcing the completion of the offering of the 2020 Notes is being filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Supplemental Indenture to the Indenture Governing CHS/Community Health Systems, Inc.'s 8 1/8% Senior Notes due 2015

On July 18, 2012, the Company announced the results of the Issuer's previously-announced tender offer and consent solicitation relating to its 8 7/8% Senior Notes due 2015 (the "2015 Notes"). As of 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on July 17, 2012, which was the consent expiration and withdrawal time specified in the Offer to Purchase and Consent Solicitation Statement ("the Statement"), holders of an aggregate principal amount of \$639,705,000 of 2015 Notes tendered their notes and consented to the proposed amendments contained in the Statement. Such tenders and consents have been accepted by the Issuer and have not been withdrawn.

On July 18, 2012, the Issuer paid \$1,026.00 in total consideration per \$1,000 of 2015 Notes that had been accepted by the Issuer. The Issuer paid the tender and consent consideration with a portion of the proceeds from the 2020 Notes.

On July 18, 2012, pursuant to the terms of the Statement, and having received consents to the proposed amendments from holders of approximately 68.5% of the outstanding aggregate principal amount of 2015 Notes, the Issuer and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee, entered into a supplemental indenture (the "Fifteenth Supplemental Indenture") to the Indenture, dated July 25, 2007, governing the 2015 Notes (the "2015 Notes Indenture"). The Fifteenth Supplemental Indenture amends the 2015 Notes Indenture to eliminate substantially all of the restrictive covenants imposed upon the Issuer and the Company. The Fifteenth Supplemental Indenture is being filed as Exhibit 4.4 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

A copy of the press release announcing the results of the tender offer and consent solicitation is being filed as Exhibit 99.2 to this Current Report on Form 8-K

Item 2.03. Creation of a Direct Financial Obligation or an Obligation under an Off-Balance Sheet Arrangement of a Registrant.

The information provided in Item 1.01 with respect to the Issuer's issuance of the 2020 Notes is incorporated by reference herein.

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On May 15, 2012, the Issuer, each of the parties identified as a New Subsidiary Guarantor therein and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee, entered into a supplemental indenture to the 2015 Notes Indenture and a supplemental indenture to the indenture, dated November 22, 2011, among the Issuer, the Company, the other guarantors thereto, in each case, to add additional subsidiary guarantors. These supplemental indentures are being filed as Exhibits 4.2 and 4.3 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

The following items are included as Exhibits to this report and incorporated herein by reference:

EXHIBIT NO.	DESCRIPTION OF EXHIBIT
4.1	Senior Notes Indenture relating to CHS/Community Health Systems, Inc.'s 7.125% Senior Notes due 2020, dated as of July 18, 2012, by and among CHS/Community Health Systems, Inc., the Guarantors party thereto and Regions Bank, as Trustee
4.2	Third Supplemental Indenture relating to CHS/Community Health Systems, Inc.'s 8.000% Senior Notes due 2019, dated as of May 15, 2012, by and among CHS/Community Health Systems, Inc., the guarantors party thereto and U.S. Bank National Association
4.3	Fourteenth Supplemental Indenture relating to CHS/Community Health Systems, Inc.'s 8 7/8% Senior Notes due 2015, dated as of May 15, 2012, by and among CHS/Community Health Systems, Inc., the guarantors party thereto and U.S. Bank National Association
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99.1	Press Release of Community Health Systems, Inc., dated July 18, 2012, relating to the closing of the 2020 Notes Offering
99.2	Press Release of Community Health Systems, Inc., dated July 18, 2012, relating to the early tender results

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: July 18, 2012

COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC.

By: /s/ Wayne T. Smith

Wayne T. Smith

Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer (principal executive officer)

By: /s/ W. Larry Cash

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Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Director (principal financial officer)

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$\begin{array}{c} \text{CHS/COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC.} \\ \text{Issuer} \end{array}$

7.125% Senior Notes Due 2020

INDENTURE

Dated as of July 18, 2012

REGIONS BANK Trustee

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INDENTURE dated as of July 18, 2012, among CHS/COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC., a Delaware corporation (the "Parent"), those Subsidiary Guarantors that from time to time become parties to this Indenture and REGIONS BANK, an Alabama banking corporation, as trustee (the "Trustee").

Each party agrees as follows for the benefit of the other parties and for the equal and ratable benefit of the Holders (as defined below) of the Company's Securities (as defined in the Appendix attached hereto):

Article 1

<u>Definitions and Incorporation by Reference</u>

SECTION 1.01. Definitions.

"Additional Assets" means (1) any property, plant or equipment or other assets or capital expenditures used in a Related Business or that replace the assets that were the subject of the Asset Disposition; (2) the Capital Stock of a Person that becomes a Restricted Subsidiary as a result of the acquisition of such Capital Stock by the Company or another Restricted Subsidiary; or (3) Capital Stock constituting a minority interest in any Person that at such time is a Restricted Subsidiary; provided, however, that any such Restricted Subsidiary described in clause (2) or (3) above is primarily engaged in a Related Business or replaces the assets that were the subject of the Asset Disposition.

"Additional Securities" means Securities issued under this Indenture after the Issue Date and in compliance with Section 2.13 and 4.03.

"Affiliate" of any specified Person means any other Person, directly or indirectly, controlling or controlled by or under direct or indirect common control with such specified Person. For the purposes of this definition, "control" when used with respect to any Person means the power to direct the management and policies of such Person, directly or indirectly, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise; and the terms "controlling" and "controlled" have meanings correlative to the foregoing.

"Applicable Premium" means with respect to any Security on any applicable redemption date, the excess of (A) the present value at such redemption date of (i) the redemption price of such Security on July 15, 2016 (such redemption price being described in the second paragraph of section 5 of the Securities, exclusive of any accrued interest) plus (ii) all required remaining scheduled interest payments due on such Security through July 15, 2016 (but excluding accrued and unpaid interest to the redemption date), computed using a discount rate equal to the Treasury Rate plus 0.50%, over (B) the thenoutstanding principal amount of such Security on such redemption date.

"Asset Disposition" means any sale, lease, transfer or other voluntary disposition (or series of related sales, leases, transfers or dispositions) by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary, including any disposition by means of a merger, consolidation or similar transaction (each referred to for the purposes of this definition as a "disposition"), of

- (1) any shares of Capital Stock of a Restricted Subsidiary (other than directors' qualifying shares or shares required by applicable law to be held by a Person other than the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary);
 - (2) all or substantially all the assets of any division or line of business of the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary; or
- (3) any other assets of the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary outside of the ordinary course of business of the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary

other than, in the case of clauses (1), (2) and (3) above, (A) a disposition by a Restricted Subsidiary to the Company or by the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary to a Restricted Subsidiary, (B) for purposes of Section 4.06 only, (i) a disposition that constitutes a Restricted Payment (or would constitute a Restricted Payment but for the exclusions from the definition thereof, including the exclusion for Permitted Investments) and that is not prohibited by Section 4.04 and (ii) a disposition of all or substantially all the assets of the Company in accordance with Section 5.01 or any disposition that constitutes a Change of Control, (C) a disposition of assets with a fair market value of less than \$100,000,000, (D) a disposition of cash or Temporary Cash Investments, (E) the creation of a Lien (but not the sale or other disposition of the property subject to such Lien), (F) a Hospital Swap, (G) long-term leases of Hospitals to another Person; provided that the aggregate book value of the properties subject to such leases at any one time outstanding does not exceed 10% of the Total Assets at the time any such lease is entered into, (H) a disposition of property no longer used or useful in the conduct of the business of the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries, (I) a disposition of Capital Stock, or Indebtedness or other securities of, an Unrestricted Subsidiary, (J) foreclosures on assets or transfers by reason of eminent domain, (K) a disposition of an account receivable in connection with the collection or compromise thereof and (L) any sale, disposition or creation of a Lien pursuant to a Qualified Receivables Transaction.

"Attributable Debt" in respect of a Sale/Leaseback Transaction means, as at the time of determination, the present value (discounted at the interest rate borne by the Securities, compounded annually) of the total obligations of the lessee for rental payments during the remaining term of the lease included in such Sale/Leaseback Transaction (including any period for which such lease has been extended); provided, however, that if such Sale/Leaseback Transaction results in a Capital Lease Obligation, the amount of Indebtedness represented thereby will be determined in accordance with the definition of "Capital Lease Obligation".

"Average Life" means, as of the date of determination, with respect to any Indebtedness, the quotient obtained by dividing (1) the sum of the products of the numbers of years from the date of determination to the dates of each successive scheduled principal payment of or redemption or similar payment with respect to such Indebtedness multiplied by the amount of such payment by (2) the sum of all such payments.

"Board of Directors" means the Board of Directors of the Company or any committee thereof duly authorized to act on behalf of such Board.

"Business Day" means each day which is not a Legal Holiday.

"Capital Lease Obligation" means an obligation that is required to be classified and accounted for as a capital lease for financial reporting purposes in accordance with GAAP, and the amount of Indebtedness represented by such obligation shall be the capitalized amount of such obligation determined in accordance with GAAP; and the Stated Maturity thereof shall be the date of the last payment of rent or any other amount due under such lease prior to the first date upon which such lease may be terminated by the lessee without payment of a penalty. For purposes of Section 4.10, a Capital Lease Obligation will be deemed to be secured by a Lien on the property being leased.

"Capital Stock" of any Person means any and all shares, interests (including partnership interests), rights to purchase, warrants, options, participations or other equivalents of or interests in (however designated) equity of such Person, including any Preferred Stock, but excluding any debt securities convertible into such equity.

"Change of Control" means the occurrence of any of the following events:

- (1) the Company becomes aware of (by way of a report or any other filing pursuant to Section 13(d) of the Exchange Act, proxy, vote, written notice or otherwise) the acquisition by any "person" (as such term is used in Sections 13(d) and 14(d) of the Exchange Act) of "beneficial ownership" (as defined in Rules 13d-3 and 13d-5 under the Exchange Act, except that for purposes of this clause (1) such person shall be deemed to have "beneficial ownership" of all shares that any such person has the right to acquire, whether such right is exercisable immediately or only after the passage of time), directly or indirectly, of more than 50% of the total voting power of the Voting Stock of the Company or Parent;
- (2) individuals who on the Issue Date constituted the Board of Directors or the Parent Board (together with any new directors whose election by such Board of Directors or the Parent Board or whose nomination for election by the stockholders of the Company or Parent, as the case may be, was approved by a vote of a majority of the directors of the Company or Parent, as the case may be,

then still in office who were either directors on the Issue Date or whose election or nomination for election was previously so approved) cease for any reason to constitute a majority of the Board of Directors or the Parent Board, as the case may be, then in office; and

- (3) the merger or consolidation of Parent or the Company with or into another Person or the merger of another Person with or into Parent or the Company, or the sale of all or substantially all the assets of Parent or the Company (determined on a consolidated basis) to another Person other than a transaction following which (i) in the case of a merger or consolidation transaction, holders of securities that represented 100% of the Voting Stock of Parent or the Company immediately prior to such transaction (or other securities into which such securities are converted as part of such merger or consolidation transaction) own directly or indirectly at least a majority of the voting power of the Voting Stock of the surviving Person in such merger or consolidation transaction immediately after such transaction and (ii) in the case of a sale of assets transaction, each transferee becomes an obligor in respect of the Securities.
 - "Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.
- "Company" means the party named as such in this Indenture until a successor replaces it and, thereafter, means the successor and, for purposes of any provision contained herein and required by the TIA, each other obligor on the indenture securities.
 - "Consolidated Coverage Ratio" as of any date of determination means the ratio of
 - (1) the aggregate amount of EBITDA for the period of the most recent four consecutive fiscal quarters for which internal financial statements are available to
 - (2) Consolidated Interest Expense for such four fiscal quarters;

provided, however, that

- (A) if the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary has Incurred any Indebtedness since the beginning of such period that remains outstanding or if the transaction giving rise to the need to calculate the Consolidated Coverage Ratio is an Incurrence of Indebtedness, or both, EBITDA and Consolidated Interest Expense for such period shall be calculated after giving effect on a pro forma basis to such Indebtedness (but excluding any Indebtedness Incurred on or after such date of determination pursuant to Section 4.03(b)) as if such Indebtedness had been Incurred on the first day of such period,
 - (B) if the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary has repaid, repurchased, defeased or otherwise discharged any Indebtedness since the

beginning of such period or if any Indebtedness is to be repaid, repurchased, defeased or otherwise discharged (in each case other than Indebtedness Incurred under any revolving credit facility unless such Indebtedness has been permanently repaid and has not been replaced) on the date of the transaction giving rise to the need to calculate the Consolidated Coverage Ratio, EBITDA and Consolidated Interest Expense for such period shall be calculated on a <u>pro forma</u> basis as if such discharge had occurred on the first day of such period and as if the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary had not earned the interest income actually earned during such period in respect of cash or Temporary Cash Investments used to repay, repurchase, defease or otherwise discharge such Indebtedness,

(C) if since the beginning of such period the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary shall have made any Asset Disposition, EBITDA for such period shall be reduced by an amount equal to EBITDA (if positive) directly attributable to the assets which are the subject of such Asset Disposition for such period, or increased by an amount equal to EBITDA (if negative), directly attributable thereto for such period and Consolidated Interest Expense for such period shall be reduced by an amount equal to the Consolidated Interest Expense directly attributable to any Indebtedness of the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary repaid, repurchased, defeased or otherwise discharged with respect to the Company and its continuing Restricted Subsidiaries in connection with such Asset Disposition for such period (or, if the Capital Stock of any Restricted Subsidiary is sold, the Consolidated Interest Expense for such period directly attributable to the Indebtedness of such Restricted Subsidiary to the extent the Company and its continuing Restricted Subsidiaries are no longer liable for such Indebtedness after such sale),

(D) if since the beginning of such period the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary (by merger or otherwise) shall have made an Investment in any Restricted Subsidiary (or any Person which becomes a Restricted Subsidiary) or an acquisition of assets, including any acquisition of assets occurring in connection with a transaction requiring a calculation to be made hereunder, which constitutes all or substantially all of an operating unit of a business, EBITDA and Consolidated Interest Expense for such period shall be calculated after giving <u>pro forma</u> effect thereto (including the Incurrence of any Indebtedness) as if such Investment or acquisition had occurred on the first day of such period and

(E) if since the beginning of such period any Person (that subsequently became a Restricted Subsidiary or was merged with or into the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary since the beginning of such period) shall have made any Asset Disposition, any Investment or acquisition of assets that would have required an adjustment pursuant to clause (C) or (D) above if made by the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary during such period, EBITDA and Consolidated Interest Expense for such period shall be calculated after giving <u>pro forma</u> effect thereto as if such Asset Disposition, Investment or acquisition had occurred on the first day of such period.

For purposes of this definition, whenever <u>proforma</u> effect is to be given to an acquisition of assets, the amount of income or earnings relating thereto and the amount of Consolidated Interest Expense associated with any Indebtedness Incurred in connection therewith, the <u>proforma</u> calculations shall be determined in good faith by a responsible financial or accounting Officer of the Company. If any Indebtedness bears a floating rate of interest and is being given <u>proforma</u> effect, the interest on such Indebtedness shall be calculated as if the rate in effect on the date of determination had been the applicable rate for the entire period (taking into account any Interest Rate Agreement applicable to such Indebtedness if such Interest Rate Agreement has a remaining term in excess of 12 months). If any Indebtedness is incurred under a revolving credit facility and is being given <u>proforma</u> effect, the interest on such Indebtedness shall be calculated based on the average daily balance of such Indebtedness for the four fiscal quarters subject to the <u>proforma</u> calculation to the extent that such Indebtedness was Incurred solely for working capital purposes.

"Consolidated Interest Expense" means, for any period, the total interest expense of the Company and its consolidated Restricted Subsidiaries, plus, to the extent not included in such total interest expense, and to the extent incurred by the Company or its Restricted Subsidiaries, without duplication (but excluding, in each case amortization of deferred financing fees, any loss on early extinguishment of Indebtedness and any fees related to a Qualified Receivables Transaction),

- (1) interest expense attributable to Capital Lease Obligations;
- (2) amortization of debt discount;
- (3) capitalized interest;
- (4) non-cash interest expense (other than imputed interest as a result of purchase accounting);
- (5) commissions, discounts and other fees and charges owed with respect to letters of credit and bankers' acceptance financing;
- (6) net payments pursuant to Hedging Obligations;
- (7) dividends paid in respect of all Disqualified Stock of the Company and all Preferred Stock of any Restricted Subsidiary, in each case, held by Persons other than the Company or a Wholly Owned Subsidiary (other than dividends payable solely in Capital Stock (other than Disqualified Stock) of the Company);
 - (8) interest incurred in connection with Investments in discontinued operations;
- (9) interest accruing on any Indebtedness of any other Person to the extent such Indebtedness is Guaranteed by (or secured by the assets of) the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary; and

- (10) the cash contributions to any employee stock ownership plan or similar trust to the extent such contributions are used by such plan or trust to pay interest or fees to any Person (other than the Company) in connection with Indebtedness Incurred by such plan or trust.
- "Consolidated Net Income" means, for any period, the net income of the Company and its consolidated Subsidiaries; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that there shall not be included in such Consolidated Net Income:
 - (1) any net income of any Person (other than the Company) if such Person is not a Restricted Subsidiary, except that
 - (A) subject to the exclusion contained in clause (4) below, the Company's equity in the net income of any such Person for such period shall be included in such Consolidated Net Income up to the aggregate amount of cash actually distributed by such Person during such period to the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary as a dividend or other distribution (subject, in the case of a dividend or other distribution paid to a Restricted Subsidiary, to the limitations contained in clause (3) below); and
 - (B) the Company's equity in a net loss of any such Person for such period shall be included in determining such Consolidated Net Income to the extent actually funded with cash;
 - (2) any net income (or loss) of any Person acquired by the Company or a Subsidiary in a pooling of interests transaction (or any transaction accounted for in a manner similar to a pooling of interests) for any period prior to the date of such acquisition;
 - (3) any net income of any Restricted Subsidiary if such Restricted Subsidiary is subject to restrictions, directly or indirectly, on the payment of dividends or the making of distributions by such Restricted Subsidiary, directly or indirectly, to the Company, except that
 - (A) subject to the exclusion contained in clause (4) below, the Company's equity in the net income of any such Restricted Subsidiary for such period shall be included in such Consolidated Net Income up to the aggregate amount of cash that could have been distributed by such Restricted Subsidiary during such period to the Company or another Restricted Subsidiary as a dividend or other distribution (subject, in the case of a dividend or other distribution paid to another Restricted Subsidiary, to the limitation contained in this clause); and
 - (B) the Company's equity in a net loss of any such Restricted Subsidiary for such period shall be included in determining such Consolidated Net Income to the extent actually funded in cash;

- (4) any gain (or loss) realized upon the sale or other disposition of any assets of the Company, its consolidated Subsidiaries or any other Person (including pursuant to any sale-and-leaseback arrangement) which is not sold or otherwise disposed of in the ordinary course of business and any gain (or loss) realized upon the sale or other disposition of any Capital Stock of any Person;
- (5) extraordinary, unusual or nonrecurring gains, losses, costs, charges or expenses (including severance, relocation, transition and other restructuring costs and litigation settlements or losses);
 - (6) the cumulative effect of a change in accounting principles;
- (7) non-cash compensation charges, including any such charges arising from stock options, restricted stock grants or other equity-incentive programs;
 - (8) any net after-tax gains or losses and all fees and expenses or charges relating thereto attributable to the early extinguishment of Indebtedness;
- (9) the effect of any non-cash items resulting from any amortization, write-up, write-down or write-off of assets (including intangible assets, goodwill and deferred financing costs in connection with the Transactions or any future acquisition, disposition, merger, consolidation or similar transaction or any other non-cash impairment charges incurred subsequent to the Issue Date resulting from the application at SFAS Nos. 141, 142 or 144 (excluding any such non-cash item to the extent that it represents an accrual of or reserve for cash expenditures in any future period except to the extent such item is subsequently reversed));
 - (10) any net gain or loss resulting from Hedging Obligations (including pursuant to the application of SFAS No. 133); and
 - (11) any net after-tax income or loss from discontinued operations and any net after-tax gains or losses on disposal of discontinued operations,

in each case, for such period. Notwithstanding the foregoing, for the purpose of Section 4.04 only, there shall be excluded from Consolidated Net Income any repurchases, repayments or redemptions of Investments, proceeds realized on the sale of Investments or return of capital to the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary to the extent such repurchases, repayments, redemptions, proceeds or returns increase the amount of Restricted Payments permitted under such Section pursuant to Section 4.04(a)(3)(D).

"Contingent Obligations" means, with respect to any Person, any obligation of such Person guaranteeing any leases or other obligations that do not constitute Indebtedness ("primary obligations") of any other Person (the "primary obligor") in any manner, whether directly or indirectly, including any obligation of such Person, whether or not contingent, (i) to purchase any such primary obligation or any property constituting direct or indirect security therefor, (ii) to advance or supply funds (A) for the purchase or payment of any such primary obligation or (B) to maintain

working capital or equity capital of the primary obligor or otherwise to maintain the net worth or solvency of the primary obligor or (iii) to purchase property, securities or services primarily for the purpose of assuring the owner of any such primary obligation of the ability of the primary obligor to make payment of such primary obligation against loss in respect thereof.

"Credit Agreement" means the Credit Agreement, originally dated as of July 25, 2007, by and among Parent, the Company, certain of its Subsidiaries identified therein as guarantors, the lenders from time to time party thereto, Credit Suisse, as Administrative Agent and collateral agent, together with the related documents thereto (including the term loans and revolving loans thereunder, any letters of credit and reimbursement obligations related thereto, any guarantees and security documents), as amended, extended, renewed, restated, refunded, replaced, refinanced, supplemented, modified or otherwise changed (in whole or in part, and without limitation as to amount, terms, conditions, covenants and other provisions) from time to time, and any one or more other agreements (and related documents) governing Indebtedness, including indentures, incurred to Refinance, substitute, supplement, replace or add to (including increasing the amount available for borrowing or adding or removing any Person as a borrower, issuer or guarantor thereunder), in whole or in part, the borrowings and commitments then outstanding or permitted to be outstanding under such Credit Agreement or one or more new credit agreements.

"Credit Facilities" means one or more debt facilities (including the Credit Agreement and indentures or debt securities) or commercial paper facilities, in each case with banks or other institutional lenders or investors providing for revolving credit loans, term debt, receivables financing (including through the sale of receivables to such lenders or to special purpose entities formed to borrow from such lenders against such receivables), debt securities or letters of credit, in each case, as amended, restated, modified, renewed, refunded, replaced or refinanced in whole or in part from time to time, including any refunding, replacement or refinancing thereof through the issuance of debt securities.

"Currency Agreement" means any foreign exchange contract, currency swap agreement or other similar agreement with respect to currency values.

"Default" means any event which is, or after notice or passage of time or both would be, an Event of Default.

"Designated Noncash Consideration" means the fair market value of noncash consideration received by the Company or one of its Restricted Subsidiaries in connection with an Asset Disposition that is designated as Designated Noncash Consideration pursuant to an Officers' Certificate setting forth the basis of such valuation, less the amount of cash or cash equivalents received in connection with a subsequent sale, redemption or payment of, on or with respect to such Designated Noncash Consideration.

"Disqualified Stock" means, with respect to any Person, any Capital Stock which by its terms (or by the terms of any security into which it is convertible or for which it is exchangeable at the option of the holder) or upon the happening of any event:

- (1) matures or is mandatorily redeemable (other than redeemable only for Capital Stock of such Person which is not itself Disqualified Stock) pursuant to a sinking fund obligation or otherwise;
 - (2) is convertible or exchangeable at the option of the holder for Indebtedness or Disqualified Stock; or
 - (3) is mandatorily redeemable or must be purchased upon the occurrence of certain events or otherwise, in whole or in part,

in each case on or prior to the date which is 91 days after the Stated Maturity of the Securities; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that any Capital Stock that would not constitute Disqualified Stock but for provisions thereof giving holders thereof the right to require such Person to purchase or redeem such Capital Stock upon the occurrence of an "asset sale" or "change of control" shall not constitute Disqualified Stock if (A) the "asset sale" or "change of control" provisions applicable to such Capital Stock are not more favorable in terms of price to the holders of such Capital Stock than the terms applicable to the Securities in Sections 4.06 and 4.09 and (B) any such requirement only becomes operative after compliance with such terms applicable to the Securities, including the purchase of any Securities tendered pursuant thereto.

The amount of any Disqualified Stock that does not have a fixed redemption, repayment or repurchase price will be calculated in accordance with the terms of such Disqualified Stock as if such Disqualified Stock were redeemed, repaid or repurchased on any date on which the amount of such Disqualified Stock is to be determined pursuant to this Indenture; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that if such Disqualified Stock could not be required to be redeemed, repaid or repurchased at the time of such determination, the redemption, repayment or repurchase price will be the book value of such Disqualified Stock as reflected in the most recent financial statements of such Person.

"Domestic Restricted Subsidiary" means any Restricted Subsidiary other than a Foreign Subsidiary.

"EBITDA" for any period means the sum of Consolidated Net Income, plus the following to the extent deducted in calculating such Consolidated Net Income:

- (1) all income tax expense of the Company and its consolidated Restricted Subsidiaries;
- (2) Consolidated Interest Expense;

- (3) depreciation and amortization expense of the Company and its consolidated Restricted Subsidiaries (excluding amortization expense attributable to a prepaid item that was paid in cash in a prior period);
- (4) all other non-cash charges of the Company and its consolidated Restricted Subsidiaries (excluding any such non-cash charge to the extent that it represents an accrual of or reserve for cash expenditures in any future period) less all non-cash items of income of the Company and its consolidated Restricted Subsidiaries (other than accruals of revenue by the Company and its consolidated Restricted Subsidiaries in the ordinary course of business); and
 - (5) fees related to a Qualified Receivables Transaction,

in each case for such period. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the provision for taxes based on the income or profits of, and the depreciation and amortization and non-cash charges of, a Restricted Subsidiary shall be added to Consolidated Net Income to compute EBITDA only to the extent (and in the same proportion, including by reason of minority interests) that the net income or loss of such Restricted Subsidiary was included in calculating Consolidated Net Income and only if a corresponding amount would be permitted at the date of determination to be dividended to the Company by such Restricted Subsidiary without prior approval (that has not been obtained), pursuant to the terms of its charter and all agreements, instruments, judgments, decrees, orders, statutes, rules and governmental regulations applicable to such Restricted Subsidiary or its stockholders.

"Exchange Act" means the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

"Foreign Subsidiary" means any Restricted Subsidiary of the Company that is not organized under the laws of the United States of America or any State thereof or the District of Columbia or any Subsidiary of such Person.

"GAAP" means generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America as in effect as of the Issue Date, including those set forth in

- (1) the opinions and pronouncements of the Accounting Principles Board of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants;
- (2) statements and pronouncements of the Financial Accounting Standards Board; and
- (3) such other statements by such other entity as approved by a significant segment of the accounting profession.

- "Guarantee" means any obligation, contingent or otherwise, of any Person directly or indirectly guaranteeing any Indebtedness of any Person and any obligation, direct or indirect, contingent or otherwise, of such Person:
 - (1) to purchase or pay (or advance or supply funds for the purchase or payment of) such Indebtedness of such Person (whether arising by virtue of partnership arrangements, or by agreements to keep-well, to purchase assets, goods, securities or services, to take-or-pay or to maintain financial statement conditions or otherwise); or
 - (2) entered into for the purpose of assuring in any other manner the obligee of such Indebtedness of the payment thereof or to protect such obligee against loss in respect thereof (in whole or in part);

provided, however, that the term "Guarantee" shall not include endorsements for collection or deposit in the ordinary course of business. The term "Guarantee" used as a verb has a corresponding meaning.

- "Guarantor" means Parent and each Subsidiary Guarantor, as applicable.
- "Guaranty" means the Parent Guaranty and each Subsidiary Guaranty, as applicable.
- "Guaranty Agreement" means a supplemental indenture, in a form reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee, pursuant to which a Subsidiary Guarantor or a successor to Parent guarantees the Company's obligations with respect to the Securities on the terms provided for in this Indenture.
- "Hedging Obligations" of any Person means the obligations of such Person pursuant to any Interest Rate Agreement or Currency Agreement or agreement intended to hedge against fluctuations in commodity prices.
 - "Holder" or "Securityholder" means the Person in whose name a Security is registered on the Registrar's books.
- "Hospital" means a hospital, outpatient clinic, outpatient surgical center, long-term care facility, medical office building or other facility or business that is used or useful in or related to the provision of healthcare services.
- "Hospital Swap" means an exchange of assets and, to the extent necessary to equalize the value of the assets being exchanged, cash by the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary for one or more Hospitals and/or one or more Related Businesses, or for 100% of the Capital Stock of any Person owning or operating one or more Hospitals and/or one or more Related Businesses; provided that cash does not exceed 30% of the sum of the amount of the cash and the fair market value of the Capital Stock or assets received or given by the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary in such transaction. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries may consummate two Hospital Swaps in any 12-month period without regard to the requirements of the proviso in the previous sentence.

"Incur" means issue, assume, Guarantee, incur or otherwise become liable for; <u>provided, however</u>, that any Indebtedness of a Person existing at the time such

Person becomes a Restricted Subsidiary (whether by merger, consolidation, acquisition or otherwise) shall be deemed to be Incurred by such Person at the time it becomes a Restricted Subsidiary. The term "Incurrence" when used as a noun shall have a correlative meaning. Solely for purposes of determining compliance with Sections 4.03 and 4.10:

- (1) amortization of debt discount or the accretion of principal with respect to a non-interest bearing or other discount security;
- (2) the payment of regularly scheduled interest in the form of additional Indebtedness of the same instrument or the payment of regularly scheduled dividends on Capital Stock in the form of additional Capital Stock of the same class and with the same terms; and
- (3) the obligation to pay a premium in respect of Indebtedness arising in connection with the issuance of a notice of redemption or the making of a mandatory offer to purchase such Indebtedness,

will not be deemed to be the Incurrence of Indebtedness or Liens.

"Indebtedness" means, with respect to any Person on any date of determination (without duplication):

- (1) the principal in respect of (A) indebtedness of such Person for money borrowed and (B) indebtedness evidenced by notes, debentures, bonds or other similar instruments for the payment of which such Person is responsible or liable;
 - (2) all Capital Lease Obligations of such Person and all Attributable Debt in respect of Sale/Leaseback Transactions entered into by such Person;
- (3) all obligations of such Person issued or assumed as the deferred purchase price of property, all conditional sale obligations of such Person and all obligations of such Person under any title retention agreement (but excluding any accounts payable or other liability to trade creditors arising in the ordinary course of business);
- (4) all obligations of such Person for the reimbursement of any obligor on any letter of credit, bankers' acceptance or similar credit transaction (other than obligations with respect to letters of credit securing obligations (other than obligations described in clauses (1) through (3) above) entered into in the ordinary course of business of such Person to the extent such letters of credit are not drawn upon or, if and to the extent drawn upon, such drawing is reimbursed no later than the tenth Business Day following payment on the letter of credit);
- (5) the amount of all obligations of such Person with respect to the redemption, repayment or other repurchase of any Disqualified Stock of such Person or, with respect to any Preferred Stock of any Subsidiary of such Person, the principal amount of such Preferred Stock to be determined in accordance with this Indenture (but excluding, in each case, any accrued dividends);

- (6) all obligations of the type referred to in clauses (1) through (5) of other Persons and all dividends of other Persons for the payment of which, in either case, such Person is responsible or liable, directly or indirectly, as obligor, guarantor or otherwise, including by means of any Guarantee;
- (7) all obligations of the type referred to in clauses (1) through (6) of other Persons secured by any Lien on any property or asset of such Person (whether or not such obligation is assumed by such Person), the amount of such obligation being deemed to be the lesser of the fair market value of such property or assets and the amount of the obligation so secured; and
 - (8) to the extent not otherwise included in this definition, Hedging Obligations of such Person.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, (A) in connection with the purchase by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary of any business, the term "Indebtedness" will exclude post-closing payment adjustments to which the seller may become entitled to the extent such payment is determined by a final closing balance sheet or such payment depends on the performance of such business after the closing; provided, however, that, at the time of closing, the amount of any such payment is not determinable and, to the extent such payment thereafter becomes fixed and determined, the amount is paid within 30 days thereafter and (B) the term "Indebtedness" will exclude Contingent Obligations Incurred in the ordinary course of business and not in respect of Indebtedness.

The amount of Indebtedness of any Person at any date shall be the outstanding balance at such date of all unconditional obligations as described above; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that in the case of Indebtedness sold at a discount, the amount of such Indebtedness at any time will be the accreted value thereof at such time.

"Indenture" means this Indenture as amended or supplemented from time to time.

"Independent Qualified Party" means an investment banking firm, accounting firm or appraisal firm of national standing; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that such firm is not an Affiliate of the Company.

"Interest Rate Agreement" means any interest rate swap agreement, interest rate cap agreement or other financial agreement or arrangement with respect to exposure to interest rates.

"Investment" in any Person means any direct or indirect advance, loan (other than advances to customers in the ordinary course of business that are recorded as accounts receivable on the balance sheet of the lender) or other extensions of credit (including by way of Guarantee or similar arrangement) or capital contribution to (by means of any transfer of cash or other property to others or any payment for property or

services for the account or use of others), or any purchase or acquisition of Capital Stock, Indebtedness or other similar instruments issued by such Person, in each case by any other Person. If the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary issues, sells or otherwise disposes of any Capital Stock of a Person that is a Restricted Subsidiary such that, after giving effect thereto, such Person is no longer a Restricted Subsidiary, any Investment by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary in such Person remaining after giving effect thereto will be deemed to be a new Investment at such time. The acquisition by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary of a Person that holds an Investment in a third Person will be deemed to be an Investment by the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary in such third Person at such time. Except as otherwise provided for herein, the amount of an Investment shall be its fair market value at the time the Investment is made and without giving effect to subsequent changes in value.

For purposes of the definition of "Unrestricted Subsidiary", the definition of "Restricted Payment" and Section 4.04, "Investment" shall include:

- (1) the portion (proportionate to the Company's equity interest in such Subsidiary) of the fair market value of the net assets of any Subsidiary of the Company at the time that such Subsidiary is designated an Unrestricted Subsidiary; provided, however, that upon a redesignation of such Subsidiary as a Restricted Subsidiary, the Company shall be deemed to continue to have a permanent "Investment" in an Unrestricted Subsidiary equal to an amount (if positive) equal to (A) the Company's "Investment" in such Subsidiary at the time of such redesignation less (B) the portion (proportionate to the Company's equity interest in such Subsidiary) of the fair market value of the net assets of such Subsidiary at the time of such redesignation; and
- (2) any property transferred to or from an Unrestricted Subsidiary shall be valued at its fair market value at the time of such transfer, in each case as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors.
- "Investment Grade Status" shall occur when the Securities receive both of the following: (1) a rating of "BBB-" or higher from S&P and (2) a rating of "Baa3" or higher from Moody's; or the equivalent of such rating by either such rating organization or, if no rating of Moody's or S&P then exists, the equivalent of such rating by any other Nationally Recognized Statistical Rating Organization.
 - "Issue Date" means July 18, 2012.
 - "Legal Holiday" means a Saturday, a Sunday or a day on which banking institutions are not required to be open in the State of New York.
- "Lien" means any mortgage, pledge, security interest, encumbrance, lien or charge of any kind (including any conditional sale or other title retention agreement or lease in the nature thereof).
- "Moody's" means Moody's Investors Service, Inc. or any of its successors or assigns that is a Nationally Recognized Statistical Rating Organization.

"Nationally Recognized Statistical Rating Organization" means a nationally recognized statistical rating organization within the meaning of Rule 436 under the Securities Act.

"Net Available Cash" from an Asset Disposition means cash payments received therefrom (including any cash payments received by way of deferred payment of principal pursuant to a note or installment receivable or otherwise and proceeds from the sale or other disposition of any securities received as consideration, but only as and when received, but excluding any other consideration received in the form of assumption by the acquiring Person of Indebtedness or other obligations relating to such properties or assets or received in any other non-cash form), in each case net of:

- (1) all legal, title and recording tax expenses, commissions and other fees and expenses Incurred, and all Federal, state, provincial, foreign and local taxes required to be accrued as a liability under GAAP, as a consequence of such Asset Disposition;
- (2) all payments made on any Indebtedness which is secured by any assets subject to such Asset Disposition, in accordance with the terms of any Lien upon or other security agreement of any kind with respect to such assets, or which must by its terms, or in order to obtain a necessary consent to such Asset Disposition, or by applicable law, be repaid out of the proceeds from such Asset Disposition;
- (3) all distributions and other payments required to be made to minority interest holders in Restricted Subsidiaries as a result of such Asset Disposition;
- (4) the deduction of appropriate amounts provided by the seller as a reserve, in accordance with GAAP, against any liabilities associated with the property or other assets disposed in such Asset Disposition and retained by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary after such Asset Disposition; and
- (5) any portion of the purchase price from an Asset Disposition placed in escrow, whether as a reserve for adjustment of the purchase price, for satisfaction of indemnities in respect of such Asset Disposition or otherwise in connection with that Asset Disposition; provided, however, that upon the termination of that escrow, Net Available Cash will be increased by any portion of funds in the escrow that are released to the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary.

"Net Cash Proceeds", with respect to any issuance or sale of Capital Stock or Indebtedness, means the cash proceeds of such issuance or sale net of attorneys' fees, accountants' fees, underwriters' or placement agents' fees, discounts or commissions and brokerage, consultant and other fees actually Incurred in connection with such issuance or sale and net of taxes paid or payable as a result thereof.

- "Non-Recourse Indebtedness" of a Person means Indebtedness:
- (1) as to which neither the Company nor any Subsidiary Guarantor:
 - (A) provides credit support of any kind (including any undertaking, agreement or instrument that would constitute Indebtedness);
 - (B) is directly or indirectly liable as guarantor or otherwise; or
 - (C) constitutes the lender; and
- (2) no default with respect to which would permit upon notice, lapse of time or both any holder of any other Indebtedness of the Company or any Subsidiary Guarantor to declare a default on such other Indebtedness or cause the payment thereof to be accelerated or payable prior to its stated maturity.
- "Obligations" means, with respect to any Indebtedness, all obligations for principal, premium, interest, penalties, fees, indemnifications, reimbursements, and other amounts payable pursuant to the documentation governing such Indebtedness.
 - "Officer" means the Chairman of the Board, the President, any Vice President, the Treasurer or the Secretary of the Company.
 - "Officers' Certificate" means a certificate signed by two Officers.
- "Opinion of Counsel" means a written opinion from legal counsel who is acceptable to the Trustee. The counsel may be an employee of or counsel to the Company or the Trustee.
- "Parent" means Community Health Systems, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and its successors or any other direct or indirect parent of the Company.
 - "Parent Board" means the Board of Directors of Parent or any committee thereof duly authorized to act on behalf of such Board.
 - "Parent Guaranty" means the Guarantee by Parent of the Company's obligations with respect to the Securities.
 - "Permitted Investment" means an Investment by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary in:
 - (1) the Company, a Restricted Subsidiary or a Person that will, upon the making of such Investment, become a Restricted Subsidiary;
 - (2) another Person if, as a result of such Investment, such other Person is merged or consolidated with or into, or transfers or conveys all or substantially all its assets to, the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary;
 - (3) cash and Temporary Cash Investments;

- (4) receivables owing to the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary if created or acquired in the ordinary course of business and payable or dischargeable in accordance with customary trade terms; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that such trade terms may include such concessionary trade terms as the Company or any such Restricted Subsidiary deems reasonable under the circumstances;
- (5) payroll, travel and similar advances to cover matters that are expected at the time of such advances ultimately to be treated as expenses for accounting purposes and that are made in the ordinary course of business;
- (6) loans or advances to employees made in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practices of the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary, but in any event not to exceed \$25,000,000 in the aggregate outstanding at any one time;
- (7) stock, obligations or securities received in settlement of debts created in the ordinary course of business and owing to the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary or in satisfaction of judgments;
- (8) any Person to the extent such Investment represents the non-cash portion of the consideration received for (i) an Asset Disposition as permitted pursuant to Section 4.06 or (ii) a disposition of assets not constituting an Asset Disposition;
- (9) any Person where such Investment was acquired by the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries (a) in exchange for any other Investment or accounts receivable held by the Company or any such Restricted Subsidiary in connection with or as a result of a bankruptcy, workout, reorganization or recapitalization of the issuer of such other Investment or accounts receivable or (b) as a result of a foreclosure by the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries with respect to any secured Investment or other transfer of title with respect to any secured Investment in default;
- (10) any Person to the extent such Investments consist of prepaid expenses, negotiable instruments held for collection and lease, utility and workers' compensation, performance and other similar deposits made in the ordinary course of business by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary;
 - (11) any Person to the extent such Investments consist of Hedging Obligations otherwise permitted under Section 4.03;
- (12) any Person to the extent such Investment exists on the Issue Date, and any extension, modification or renewal of any such Investments existing on the Issue Date, but only to the extent not involving additional advances, contributions or other Investments of cash or other assets or other increases thereof (other than as a result of the accrual or accretion of interest or original issue discount or the issuance of pay-in-kind securities, in each case, pursuant to the terms of such Investment as in effect on the Issue Date);

- (13) (a) any Investment in any captive insurance subsidiary in existence on the Issue Date or (b) in the event the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary shall establish a Subsidiary for the purpose of insuring the healthcare business or facilities owned or operated by the Company, any Subsidiary or any physician employed by or on the medical staff of any such business or facility (the "Insurance Subsidiary"), Investments in an amount that do not exceed 125% of the minimum amount of capital required under the laws of the jurisdiction in which the Insurance Subsidiary is formed (other than any excess capital that would result in any unfavorable tax or reimbursement impact if distributed), and any Investment by such Insurance Subsidiary that is a legal investment for an insurance company under the laws of the jurisdiction in which the Insurance Subsidiary is formed and made in the ordinary course of business and rated in one of the four highest rating categories;
 - (14) Physician Support Obligations incurred by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary;
 - (15) Investments made in connection with Hospital Swaps;
 - (16) any Investment in a Receivables Subsidiary or other Person, pursuant to the terms and conditions of a Qualified Receivables Transaction;
 - (17) Investments the payment for which consists of a Capital Stock of the Company or Parent (other than Disqualified Stock);
 - (18) the Incurrence of Guarantees of Indebtedness not prohibited by Section 4.03 and performance guarantees;
 - (19) Investments consisting of earnest money deposits required in connection with a purchase agreement or other acquisition; and
- (20) Persons to the extent such Investments, when taken together with all other Investments made pursuant to this clause (20) and outstanding on the date such Investment is made, do not exceed 5% of the Total Assets (with the fair market value of each Investment being measured at the time made and without giving effect to subsequent changes in value); provided, however, that if such Investment is in Capital Stock of a Person that subsequently becomes a Restricted Subsidiary, such Investment shall thereafter be deemed permitted under clause (1) above and shall not be included as having been made pursuant to this clause (20).

"Permitted Liens" means, with respect to any Person,

(1) pledges or deposits by such Person under workers' compensation laws, unemployment insurance laws or similar legislation, or good faith deposits in connection with bids, tenders, contracts (other than for the payment of Indebtedness) or leases to which such Person is a party, or deposits to secure public or statutory obligations of such Person or deposits of cash or United States government bonds to secure surety or appeal bonds to which such Person is a party, or deposits as security for contested taxes or import duties or for the payment of rent, in each case Incurred in the ordinary course of business;

- (2) Liens imposed by law, such as carriers', warehousemen's and mechanics' Liens, in each case for sums not yet overdue for a period of more than 30 days or being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings or other Liens arising out of judgments or awards against such Person with respect to which such Person shall then be proceeding with an appeal or other proceedings for review and Liens arising solely by virtue of any statutory or common law provision relating to banker's Liens, rights of set-off or similar rights and remedies as to deposit accounts or other funds maintained with a creditor depository institution; provided, however, that (A) such deposit account is not a dedicated cash collateral account and is not subject to restrictions against access by the Company in excess of those set forth by regulations promulgated by the Federal Reserve Board and (B) such deposit account is not intended by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary to provide collateral to the depository institution;
- (3) Liens for taxes, assessments or other governmental charges not yet overdue for a period of more than 30 days or payable or subject to penalties for non-payment or which are being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings;
- (4) Liens in favor of issuers of surety bonds or letters of credit issued pursuant to the request of and for the account of such Person in the ordinary course of its business; provided, however, that such letters of credit do not constitute Indebtedness;
- (5) minor survey exceptions, minor encumbrances, easements or reservations of, or rights of others for, licenses, rights-of-way, sewers, electric lines, telegraph and telephone lines and other similar purposes, or zoning or other restrictions as to the use of real property or Liens incidental to the conduct of the business of such Person or to the ownership of its properties which were not Incurred in connection with Indebtedness and which do not in the aggregate materially adversely affect the value of said properties or materially impair their use in the operation of the business of such Person;
- (6) Liens securing Indebtedness Incurred to finance the construction, purchase or lease of, or repairs, improvements or additions to, property, plant or equipment of such Person; provided, however, that the Lien may not extend to any other property owned by such Person or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries at the time the Lien is Incurred (other than assets and property affixed or appurtenant thereto), and the Indebtedness (other than any interest thereon) secured by the Lien may not be Incurred more than 180 days after the later of the acquisition, completion of construction, repair, improvement, addition or commencement of full operation of the property subject to the Lien;

- (7) Liens to secure Indebtedness permitted under Sections 4.03(b)(1) and 4.03(b)(16) (including, during any Suspension Period, Indebtedness of the type and in the amounts specified under such clause);
 - (8) Liens existing on the Issue Date;
- (9) Liens on property or shares of Capital Stock of another Person at the time such other Person becomes a Subsidiary of such Person; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the Liens may not extend to any other property owned by such Person or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries (other than assets and property affixed or appurtenant thereto);
- (10) Liens on property at the time such Person or any of its Subsidiaries acquires the property, including any acquisition by means of a merger or consolidation with or into such Person or a Subsidiary of such Person; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the Liens may not extend to any other property owned by such Person or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries (other than assets and property affixed or appurtenant thereto);
- (11) Liens securing Indebtedness or other obligations of a Subsidiary of such Person owing to such Person or a Restricted Subsidiary of such Person:
 - (12) Liens securing Hedging Obligations so long as such Hedging Obligations are permitted to be Incurred under this Indenture;
- (13) Liens to secure any Refinancing (or successive Refinancings) as a whole, or in part, of any Indebtedness secured by any Lien referred to in the foregoing clause (6), (8), (9), (10) or (15); provided, however, that (A) such new Lien shall be limited to all or part of the same property and assets that secured or, under the written agreements pursuant to which the original Lien arose, could secure the original Lien (plus improvements and accessions to such property or proceeds or distributions thereof) and (B) the Indebtedness secured by such Lien at such time is not increased to any amount greater than the sum of (i) the outstanding principal amount or, if greater, committed amount of the Indebtedness described under clause (6), (8), (9), (10) or (15) at the time the original Lien became a Permitted Lien and (ii) an amount necessary to pay any fees and expenses, including premiums, related to such refinancing, refunding, extension, renewal or replacement;
 - (14) Liens on assets of a Receivables Subsidiary and other customary Liens established pursuant to a Qualified Receivables Transaction; and
- (15) Liens established to secure Obligations in respect of any Indebtedness permitted to be incurred pursuant to Section 4.03 (including, during any Suspension Period, Indebtedness of the type and in the amounts specified under such Section); provided, however, that at the time of Incurrence and after giving pro forma effect thereto, the ratio of (i) the aggregate amount of Secured Indebtedness as of such date of determination to (ii) EBITDA (determined on a

pro forma basis consistent with the calculation of Consolidated Coverage Ratio) for the most recent four consecutive fiscal quarters for which internal financial statements are available would be less than 4.0 to 1.0.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, "Permitted Liens" will not include any Lien described in clause (9) or (10) above to the extent such Lien applies to any Additional Assets acquired directly or indirectly from Net Available Cash pursuant to Section 4.06. For purposes of this definition, the term "Indebtedness" shall be deemed to include interest on such Indebtedness.

"Person" means any individual, corporation, partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, association, joint-stock company, trust, unincorporated organization, government or any agency or political subdivision thereof or any other entity.

"Physician Support Obligation" means:

- (1) a loan to or on behalf of, or a Guarantee of Indebtedness of or income of, a physician or healthcare professional providing service to patients in the service area of a Hospital operated by the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries made or given by the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company:
 - (A) in the ordinary course of its business; and
 - (B) pursuant to a written agreement having a period not to exceed five years; or
- (2) Guarantees by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary of leases and loans to acquire property (real or personal) for or on behalf of a physician or healthcare professional providing service to patients in the service area of a Hospital operated by the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries.

"Preferred Stock", as applied to the Capital Stock of any Person, means Capital Stock of any class or classes (however designated) which is preferred as to the payment of dividends or distributions, or as to the distribution of assets upon any voluntary or involuntary liquidation or dissolution of such Person, over shares of Capital Stock of any other class of such Person.

"principal" of a Security means the principal of the Security plus the premium, if any, payable on the Security which is due or overdue or is to become due at the relevant time.

"Prospectus Supplement" means the prospectus supplement dated July 9, 2012 related to the issuance of Securities on the Issue Date and filed with the SEC on July 10, 2012.

"Public Equity Offering" means an underwritten primary public offering of common stock of Parent or the Company for cash pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act.

"Purchase Money Indebtedness" means Indebtedness (including Capital Lease Obligations) Incurred to finance the acquisition by the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary of equipment or property that is used or useful in a Related Business (whether through the direct purchase of such asset or the purchase of Capital Stock of any Person owning such asset), including additions and improvements; provided, however, that any Lien arising in connection with any such Indebtedness shall be limited to the specific asset being financed or, in the case of real property or fixtures, including additions and improvements, the real property on which such asset is attached; provided further, however, that such Indebtedness is Incurred within 180 days after such acquisition of such assets.

"Qualified Receivables Transaction" means any transaction or series of transactions that may be entered into by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary pursuant to which the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary may sell, convey or otherwise transfer pursuant to customary terms to (1) a Receivables Subsidiary (in the case of a transfer by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary) and (2) any other Person (in the case of a transfer by a Receivables Subsidiary), or grants a security interest in, any accounts receivable (whether now existing or arising in the future) of the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries, and any assets related thereto, including all collateral securing such accounts receivable, all contracts and all guarantees or other obligations in respect of such accounts receivable, proceeds of such accounts receivable and other assets that are customarily transferred or in respect of which security interests are customarily granted in connection with asset securitization transactions involving accounts receivable.

"Rating Agency" means S&P and Moody's or if S&P, Moody's or both shall not make a rating on the Securities publicly available, a Nationally Recognized Statistical Rating Organization or organizations, as the case may be, selected by the Company (as certified by a resolution of the Board of Directors) which shall be substituted for S&P, Moody's or both, as the case may be.

"Receivables Subsidiary" means any special purpose Wholly Owned Subsidiary of the Company that acquires accounts receivable generated by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries and that engages in no operations or activities other than those related to a Qualified Receivables Transaction; provided that, except pursuant to Standard Securitization Undertakings, (a) no portion of the obligations (contingent or otherwise) of which is recourse to or obligates the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries in any way, (b) with which neither the Company nor any of its Restricted Subsidiaries has any contract, agreement, arrangement or understanding other than on terms no less favorable to the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary than those that might be obtained at the time from Persons who are not Affiliates of the Company and (c) to which neither the Company nor any of its Restricted Subsidiaries has any obligation to maintain or preserve such Receivables Subsidiary's financial condition or cause such Receivables Subsidiary to achieve certain levels of operating results.

"Receivables Transaction Amount" means, with respect to any Qualified Receivables Transaction, (a) in the case of any securitization, the amount of obligations outstanding under the legal documents entered into as part of such Qualified Receivables Transaction on any date of determination that would be characterized as principal if such Qualified Receivables Transaction were structured as a secured lending transaction rather than as a purchase and (b) in the case of any other sale or factoring of accounts receivable, the cash purchase price paid by the buyer in connection with its purchase of such accounts receivable (including any bills of exchange) less the amount of collections received in respect of such accounts receivable and paid to such buyer, excluding any amounts applied to purchase fees or discount or in the nature of interest, in each case as determined in good faith and in a consistent and commercially reasonable manner by the Company.

"Refinance" means, in respect of any Indebtedness, to refinance, extend, renew, refund, repay, prepay, redeem, purchase, defease or retire, or to issue other Indebtedness in exchange or replacement for, such Indebtedness. "Refinanced" and "Refinancing" shall have correlative meanings.

"Refinancing Indebtedness" means Indebtedness that Refinances any Indebtedness of the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary existing on the Issue Date or Incurred in compliance with this Indenture, including Indebtedness that Refinances Refinancing Indebtedness; provided, however, that:

- (1) such Refinancing Indebtedness has a Stated Maturity no earlier than the earlier of (A) the Stated Maturity of the Indebtedness being Refinanced and (B) the 91st day after the Stated Maturity of any Securities then outstanding;
- (2) such Refinancing Indebtedness has an Average Life at the time such Refinancing Indebtedness is Incurred that is equal to or greater than the greater of (A) the Average Life of the Indebtedness being Refinanced and (B) the Average Life of any Securities then outstanding;
- (3) such Refinancing Indebtedness has an aggregate principal amount (or if Incurred with original issue discount, an aggregate issue price) that is equal to or less than the aggregate principal amount (or if Incurred with original issue discount, the aggregate accreted value) then outstanding (plus fees and expenses, including any premium and defeasance costs) under the Indebtedness being Refinanced; and
- (4) if the Indebtedness being Refinanced is subordinated in right of payment to the Securities or a Subsidiary Guarantee, such Refinancing Indebtedness is subordinated in right of payment to the Securities at least to the same extent as the Indebtedness being Refinanced;

<u>provided further</u>, that Refinancing Indebtedness shall not include (A) Indebtedness of a Subsidiary (other than a Subsidiary Guarantor) that Refinances Indebtedness of the Company or (B) Indebtedness of the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary that Refinances Indebtedness of an Unrestricted Subsidiary.

"Related Business" means a business affiliated or associated with a Hospital or any business related or ancillary to the provision of healthcare services or information or the investment in, or the management, leasing or operation of, any of the foregoing.

"Restricted Payment" with respect to any Person means

- (1) the declaration or payment of any dividends or any other distributions of any sort in respect of its Capital Stock (including any payment in connection with any merger or consolidation involving such Person) or similar payment to the direct or indirect holders of its Capital Stock in their capacity as such (other than (A) dividends or distributions payable solely in its Capital Stock (other than Disqualified Stock), (B) dividends or distributions payable solely to the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary and (C) pro rata dividends or other distributions made by a Subsidiary that is not a Wholly Owned Subsidiary to minority stockholders (or owners of an equivalent interest in the case of a Subsidiary that is an entity other than a corporation));
- (2) the purchase, repurchase, redemption, defeasance or other acquisition or retirement for value of any Capital Stock of the Company held by any Person (other than by a Restricted Subsidiary), including in connection with any merger or consolidation and including the exercise of any option to exchange any Capital Stock (other than into Capital Stock of the Company that is not Disqualified Stock);
- (3) the purchase, repurchase, redemption, defeasance or other acquisition or retirement for value, prior to scheduled maturity, scheduled repayment or scheduled sinking fund payment of any Subordinated Obligations of the Company or any Subsidiary Guarantor (other than (A) from the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary or (B) the purchase, repurchase, redemption, defeasance or other acquisition or retirement of Subordinated Obligations purchased in anticipation of satisfying a sinking fund obligation, principal installment or final maturity, in each case due within one year of the date of such purchase, repurchase, redemption, defeasance or other acquisition or retirement); or
 - (4) the making of any Investment (other than a Permitted Investment) in any Person.

"Restricted Subsidiary" means any Subsidiary of the Company that is not an Unrestricted Subsidiary.

"RP Reference Date" means July 25, 2007.

"S&P" means Standard & Poor's Investors Ratings Services or any of its successors or assigns that is a Nationally Recognized Statistical Rating Organization.

"Sale/Leaseback Transaction" means an arrangement relating to property owned by the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary on the Issue Date or thereafter acquired by the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary whereby the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary transfers such property to a Person and the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary leases it from such Person.

"SEC" means the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

"Secured Indebtedness" means any Indebtedness of the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries secured by a Lien.

"Securities Act" means the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

"Senior Indebtedness" means with respect to any Person:

- (1) Indebtedness of such Person, whether outstanding on the Issue Date or thereafter Incurred; and
- (2) all other Obligations of such Person (including interest accruing on or after the filing of any petition in bankruptcy or for reorganization relating to such Person whether or not post-filing interest is allowed in such proceeding) in respect of Indebtedness described in clause (1) above,

unless, in the case of clauses (1) and (2), in the instrument creating or evidencing the same or pursuant to which the same is outstanding it is provided that such Indebtedness or other Obligations are subordinate in right of payment to the Securities or the Subsidiary Guaranty of such Person, as the case may be; provided, however, that Senior Indebtedness shall not include:

- (A) any obligation of such Person to the Company or any Subsidiary of the Company;
- (B) any liability for Federal, state, local or other taxes owed or owing by such Person;
- (C) any accounts payable or other liability to trade creditors arising in the ordinary course of business;
- (D) any Indebtedness or other Obligation of such Person which is subordinate or junior in any respect to any other Indebtedness or other Obligation of such Person; or
 - (E) that portion of any Indebtedness which at the time of Incurrence is Incurred in violation of this Indenture.

"Significant Subsidiary" means any Restricted Subsidiary that would be a "Significant Subsidiary" of the Company within the meaning of Rule 1-02 under Regulation S-X promulgated by the SEC.

"Standard Securitization Undertakings" means all representations, warranties, covenants and indemnities entered into by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary which are customary in securitization transactions involving accounts receivable.

"Stated Maturity" means, with respect to any security, the date specified in such security as the fixed date on which the final payment of principal of such security is due and payable, including pursuant to any mandatory redemption provision (but excluding any provision providing for the repurchase of such security at the option of the holder thereof upon the happening of any contingency unless such contingency has occurred).

"Subordinated Obligation" means, with respect to a Person, any Indebtedness of such Person (whether outstanding on the Issue Date or thereafter Incurred) which is subordinate or junior in right of payment to the Securities or a Subsidiary Guaranty of such Person, as the case may be, pursuant to a written agreement to that effect.

"Subsidiary" means, with respect to any Person, any corporation, association, partnership or other business entity of which more than 50% of the total voting power of shares of Voting Stock is at the time owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by (1) such Person, (2) such Person and one or more Subsidiaries of such Person or (3) one or more Subsidiaries of such Person.

"Subsidiary Guarantor" means each Subsidiary of the Company that executes this Indenture as a guarantor on the Issue Date and each other Subsidiary of the Company that thereafter guarantees the Securities pursuant to the terms of this Indenture.

"Subsidiary Guaranty" means a Guarantee by a Subsidiary Guarantor of the Company's obligations with respect to the Securities.

"Temporary Cash Investments" means any of the following:

- (1) any investment in direct obligations of the United States of America or any agency thereof or obligations guaranteed by the United States of America or any agency thereof;
- (2) investments in demand and time deposit accounts, certificates of deposit and money market deposits maturing within one year of the date of acquisition thereof issued by a bank or trust company which is organized under the laws of the United States of America, any State thereof or any foreign country recognized by the United States of America, and which bank or trust company has capital, surplus and undivided profits aggregating in excess of \$50,000,000 (or the foreign currency equivalent thereof) and has outstanding debt which is rated "A"

(or such similar equivalent rating) or higher by at least one Nationally Recognized Statistical Rating Organization or any money-market fund sponsored by a registered broker dealer or mutual fund distributor;

- (3) repurchase obligations with a term of not more than 30 days for underlying securities of the types described in clause (1) above entered into with a bank meeting the qualifications described in clause (2) above;
- (4) investments in commercial paper, maturing not more than one year after the date of acquisition, issued by a corporation (other than an Affiliate of the Company) organized and in existence under the laws of the United States of America or any foreign country recognized by the United States of America with a rating at the time as of which any investment therein is made of "P-1" (or higher) according to Moody's or "A-1" (or higher) according to S&P;
- (5) investments in securities with maturities of one year or less from the date of acquisition issued or fully guaranteed by any state, commonwealth or territory of the United States of America, or by any political subdivision or taxing authority thereof, and rated at least "A" by S&P or "A" by Moody's; and
- (6) investments in money market funds that invest substantially all their assets in securities of the types described in clauses (1) through (5) above.

"Total Assets" means, as of any date of determination, after giving <u>pro forma</u> effect to any acquisition of assets on such date, the sum of the amounts that would appear on the consolidated balance sheet of the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries as the total assets of the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries.

"Treasury Rate" means, as of the applicable redemption date, the yield to maturity as of such redemption date of United States Treasury securities with a constant maturity (as compiled and published in the most recent Federal Reserve Statistical Release H.15(519) that has become publicly available at least two Business Days prior to such redemption date (or, if such Statistical Release is no longer published, any publicly available source of similar market data)) most nearly equal to the period from such redemption date to July 15, 2016; provided, however, that if the period from such redemption date to July 15, 2016 is less than one year, the weekly average yield on actually traded United States Treasury securities adjusted to a constant maturity of one year will be used.

"Trust Indenture Act" or "TIA" means the Trust Indenture Act of 1939 (15 U.S.C. §§ 77aaa-77bbbb) as in effect on the Issue Date.

"Trustee" means Regions Bank, an Alabama banking corporation, until a successor replaces it and, thereafter, means the successor.

"Trust Officer" means the Chairman of the Board, the President or any other officer or assistant officer of the Trustee assigned by the Trustee to administer its corporate trust matters.

"Uniform Commercial Code" means the New York Uniform Commercial Code as in effect from time to time.

"Unrestricted Subsidiary" means:

- (1) any Subsidiary of the Company that at the time of determination shall be designated an Unrestricted Subsidiary by the Board of Directors in the manner provided below; and
 - (2) any Subsidiary of an Unrestricted Subsidiary.

The Board of Directors may designate any Subsidiary of the Company (including any newly acquired or newly formed Subsidiary) to be an Unrestricted Subsidiary unless such Subsidiary or any of its Subsidiaries owns any Capital Stock or Indebtedness of, or holds any Lien on any property of, the Company or any other Subsidiary of the Company that is not a Subsidiary of the Subsidiary to be so designated; provided, however, that either (A) the Subsidiary to be so designated has total assets of \$1,000 or less or (B) if such Subsidiary has assets greater than \$1,000, such designation would be permitted under Section 4.04. The Board of Directors may designate any Unrestricted Subsidiary to be a Restricted Subsidiary; provided, however, that immediately after giving effect to such designation no Default shall have occurred and be continuing. Any such designation by the Board of Directors shall be evidenced to the Trustee by promptly filing with the Trustee a copy of the resolution of the Board of Directors giving effect to such designation and an Officers' Certificate certifying that such designation complied with the foregoing provisions.

"U.S. Dollar Equivalent" means with respect to any monetary amount in a currency other than U.S. dollars, at any time for determination thereof, the amount of U.S. dollars obtained by converting such foreign currency involved in such computation into U.S. dollars at the spot rate for the purchase of U.S. dollars with the applicable foreign currency as published in The Wall Street Journal in the "Exchange Rates" column under the heading "Currency Trading" on the date two Business Days prior to such determination. Except as described in Section 4.03, whenever it is necessary to determine whether the Company has complied with any covenant in this Indenture or a Default has occurred and an amount is expressed in a currency other than U.S. dollars, such amount will be treated as the U.S. Dollar Equivalent determined as of the date such amount is initially determined in such currency.

"U.S. Government Obligations" means direct obligations (or certificates representing an ownership interest in such obligations) of the United States of America (including any agency or instrumentality thereof) for the payment of which the full faith and credit of the United States of America is pledged and which are not callable at the issuer's option.

"Voting Stock" of a Person means all classes of Capital Stock of such Person then outstanding and normally entitled (without regard to the occurrence of any contingency) to vote in the election of directors, managers or trustees thereof.

"Wholly Owned Subsidiary" means a Restricted Subsidiary all the Capital Stock of which (other than directors' qualifying shares) is owned by the Company or one or more other Wholly Owned Subsidiaries.

SECTION 1.02. Other Definitions.

Tem	Defined in Section
"Acceptable Commitment"	4.06
"Affiliate Transaction"	4.07(a)
"Bankruptcy Law"	6.01
"Change of Control Offer"	4.09(b)
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"covenant defeasance option"	8.01(b)
"Custodian"	6.01
"Event of Default"	6.01
"Guaranteed Obligations"	10.01
"Initial Lien"	4.10
"legal defeasance option"	8.01(b)
"Offer"	4.06(b)
"Offer Amount"	4.06(c)(2)
"Offer Period"	4.06(c)(2)
"Paying Agent"	2.03
"Purchase Date"	4.06(c)(1)
"Registrar"	2.03
"Securities"	Appendix
"Successor Company"	5.01(a)(1)

SECTION 1.03. <u>Incorporation by Reference of Trust Indenture Act.</u> This Indenture is subject to the mandatory provisions of the TIA which are incorporated by reference in and made a part of this Indenture. The following TIA terms have the following meanings:

[&]quot;Commission" means the SEC;

[&]quot;indenture securities" means the Securities and the Guaranties;

[&]quot;indenture security holder" means a Securityholder;

[&]quot;indenture to be qualified" means this Indenture;

[&]quot;indenture trustee" or "institutional trustee" means the Trustee; and

[&]quot;obligor" on the indenture securities means the Company, each Guarantor and any other obligor on the indenture securities.

All other TIA terms used in this Indenture that are defined by the TIA, defined by TIA reference to another statute or defined by SEC rule have the meanings assigned to them by such definitions.

SECTION 1.04. Rules of Construction. Unless the context otherwise requires:

- (1) a term has the meaning assigned to it;
- (2) an accounting term not otherwise defined has the meaning assigned to it in accordance with GAAP;
- (3) "or" is not exclusive;
- (4) "including" means including without limitation;
- (5) words in the singular include the plural and words in the plural include the singular;
- (6) unsecured Indebtedness shall not be deemed to be subordinate or junior to secured Indebtedness merely by virtue of its nature as unsecured Indebtedness;
- (7) secured Indebtedness shall not be deemed to be subordinate or junior to any other secured Indebtedness merely because it has a junior priority with respect to the same collateral;
- (8) the principal amount of any noninterest bearing or other discount security at any date shall be the principal amount thereof that would be shown on a balance sheet of the issuer dated such date prepared in accordance with GAAP;
- (9) the principal amount of any Preferred Stock shall be (A) the maximum liquidation value of such Preferred Stock or (B) the maximum mandatory redemption or mandatory repurchase price with respect to such Preferred Stock, whichever is greater; and
 - (10) all references to the date the Securities were originally issued shall refer to the Issue Date.

Article 2

The Securities

SECTION 2.01. Form and Dating. Provisions relating to the Securities are set forth in the Appendix attached hereto (the "Appendix") which is hereby incorporated in, and expressly made part of, this Indenture. The Securities and the Trustee's certificate of authentication shall be substantially in the form of Exhibit A, which is hereby incorporated in and expressly made a part of this Indenture. The

Securities may have notations, legends or endorsements required by law, stock exchange rule, agreements to which the Company is subject, if any, or usage (provided that any such notation, legend or endorsement is in a form acceptable to the Company). Each Security shall be dated the date of its authentication. The terms of the Securities set forth in the Appendix and Exhibit A are part of the terms of this Indenture.

SECTION 2.02. Execution and Authentication. Two Officers shall sign the Securities for the Company by manual or facsimile signature which may be in counterparts.

If an Officer whose signature is on a Security no longer holds that office at the time the Trustee authenticates the Security, the Security shall be valid nevertheless.

A Security shall not be valid until an authorized signatory of the Trustee manually signs the certificate of authentication on the Security. The signature shall be conclusive evidence that the Security has been authenticated under this Indenture.

On the Issue Date, the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver \$1,200,000,000 of 7.125% Senior Notes Due 2020 and, at any time and from time to time thereafter, the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver Securities for original issue in an aggregate principal amount specified in such order, in each case upon a written order of the Company signed by two Officers or by an Officer and either an Assistant Treasurer or an Assistant Secretary of the Company. Such order shall specify the amount of the Securities to be authenticated and the date on which the original issue of Securities is to be authenticated and, in the case of an issuance of Additional Securities pursuant to Section 2.13 after the Issue Date, shall certify that such issuance is in compliance with Section 4.03 and made pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act.

The Trustee may appoint an authenticating agent reasonably acceptable to the Company to authenticate the Securities. Unless limited by the terms of such appointment, an authenticating agent may authenticate Securities whenever the Trustee may do so. Each reference in this Indenture to authentication by the Trustee includes authentication by such agent. An authenticating agent has the same rights as any Registrar, Paying Agent or agent for service of notices and demands.

SECTION 2.03. <u>Registrar and Paying Agent.</u> The Company shall maintain an office or agency where Securities may be presented for registration of transfer or for exchange (the "Registrar") and an office or agency where Securities may be presented for payment (the "Paying Agent"). The Registrar shall keep a register of the Securities and of their transfer and exchange. The Company may have one or more co-registrars and one or more additional paying agents. The term "Paying Agent" includes any additional paying agent.

The Company shall enter into an appropriate agency agreement with any Registrar, Paying Agent or co-registrar not a party to this Indenture, which shall incorporate the terms of the TIA. The agreement shall implement the provisions of this

Indenture that relate to such agent. The Company shall notify the Trustee of the name and address of any such agent. If the Company fails to maintain a Registrar or Paying Agent, the Trustee shall act as such and shall be entitled to appropriate compensation therefor pursuant to Section 7.07. The Company or any Wholly Owned Subsidiary incorporated or organized within The United States of America may act as Paying Agent, Registrar, co-registrar or transfer agent.

The Company initially appoints the Trustee as Registrar and Paying Agent in connection with the Securities.

SECTION 2.04. Paying Agent To Hold Money in Trust. Prior to each due date of the principal and interest on any Security, the Company shall deposit with the Paying Agent a sum sufficient to pay such principal and interest when so becoming due. The Company shall require each Paying Agent (other than the Trustee) to agree in writing that the Paying Agent shall hold in trust for the benefit of Securityholders or the Trustee all money held by the Paying Agent for the payment of principal of or interest on the Securities and shall notify the Trustee of any default by the Company in making any such payment. If the Company, Parent or a Subsidiary of the Company acts as Paying Agent, it shall segregate the money held by it as Paying Agent and hold it as a separate trust fund. The Company at any time may require a Paying Agent to pay all money held by it to the Trustee and to account for any funds disbursed by the Paying Agent. Upon complying with this Section, the Paying Agent shall have no further liability for the money delivered to the Trustee.

SECTION 2.05. <u>Securityholder Lists.</u> The Trustee shall preserve in as current a form as is reasonably practicable the most recent list available to it of the names and addresses of Securityholders and shall comply with the other provisions of TIA § 312(a). If the Trustee is not the Registrar, the Company shall furnish to the Trustee, in writing at least five Business Days before each interest payment date and at such other times as the Trustee may request in writing, a list in such form and as of such date as the Trustee may reasonably require of the names and addresses of Securityholders.

SECTION 2.06. <u>Transfer and Exchange</u>. The Securities shall be issued in registered form and shall be transferable only upon the surrender of a Security for registration of transfer. When a Security is presented to the Registrar or a co-registrar with a request to register a transfer, the Registrar shall register the transfer as requested if the requirements of this Indenture and Section 8-401(1) of the Uniform Commercial Code are met. When Securities are presented to the Registrar or a co-registrar with a request to exchange them for an equal principal amount of Securities of other denominations, the Registrar shall make the exchange as requested if the same requirements are met.

SECTION 2.07. Replacement Securities. If a mutilated Security is surrendered to the Registrar or if the Holder of a Security claims that the Security has been lost, destroyed or wrongfully taken, the Company shall issue and the Trustee shall authenticate a replacement Security if the requirements of Section 8-405 of the Uniform Commercial Code are met and the Holder satisfies any other reasonable requirements of

the Trustee. If required by the Trustee or the Company, such Holder shall furnish an indemnity bond sufficient in the judgment of the Company and the Trustee to protect the Company, the Trustee, the Paying Agent, the Registrar and any co-registrar from any loss which any of them may suffer if a Security is replaced. The Company and the Trustee may charge the Holder for their expenses in replacing a Security.

Every replacement Security is an additional Obligation of the Company.

SECTION 2.08. <u>Outstanding Securities</u>. Securities outstanding at any time are all Securities authenticated by the Trustee except for those canceled by it, those delivered to it for cancellation and those described in this Section as not outstanding. A Security does not cease to be outstanding because the Company or an Affiliate of the Company holds the Security.

If a Security is replaced pursuant to Section 2.07, it ceases to be outstanding unless the Trustee and the Company receive proof satisfactory to them that the replaced Security is held by a protected purchaser (as defined in Section 8-303 of the Uniform Commercial Code).

If the Paying Agent segregates and holds in trust, in accordance with this Indenture, on a redemption date or maturity date, money sufficient to pay all principal and interest payable on that date with respect to the Securities (or portions thereof) to be redeemed or maturing, as the case may be, then on and after that date, such Securities (or portions thereof) cease to be outstanding and interest on them ceases to accrue.

SECTION 2.09. <u>Temporary Securities</u>. Until definitive Securities are ready for delivery, the Company may prepare and the Trustee shall authenticate temporary Securities. Temporary Securities shall be substantially in the form of definitive Securities but may have variations that the Company considers appropriate for temporary Securities. Without unreasonable delay, the Company shall prepare and the Trustee shall authenticate definitive Securities and deliver them in exchange for temporary Securities.

SECTION 2.10. <u>Cancellation</u>. The Company at any time may deliver Securities to the Trustee for cancellation. The Registrar and the Paying Agent shall forward to the Trustee any Securities surrendered to them for registration of transfer, exchange or payment. The Trustee and no one else shall cancel and destroy (subject to the record retention requirements of the Exchange Act) all Securities surrendered for registration of transfer, exchange, payment or cancellation and deliver a certificate of such destruction to the Company unless the Company directs the Trustee to deliver canceled Securities to the Company. The Company may not issue new Securities to replace Securities it has redeemed, paid or delivered to the Trustee for cancellation.

SECTION 2.11. <u>Defaulted Interest</u>. If the Company defaults in a payment of interest on the Securities, the Company shall pay defaulted interest (plus interest on such defaulted interest to the extent lawful) in any lawful manner. The Company may pay the defaulted interest to the persons who are Securityholders on a

subsequent special record date. The Company shall fix or cause to be fixed any such special record date and payment date to the reasonable satisfaction of the Trustee and shall promptly mail to each Securityholder a notice that states the special record date, the payment date and the amount of defaulted interest to be paid.

SECTION 2.12. <u>CUSIP Numbers, ISINs, etc.</u> The Company in issuing the Securities may use "CUSIP" numbers, ISINs and "Common Code" numbers (in each case if then generally in use) and, if so, the Trustee shall use "CUSIP" numbers, ISINs and "Common Code" numbers in notices of redemption as a convenience to Holders; <u>provided, however</u>, that any such notice may state that no representation is made as to the correctness of such numbers either as printed on the Securities or as contained in any notice of a redemption and that reliance may be placed only on the other identification numbers printed on the Securities, and any such redemption shall not be affected by any defect in or omission of such numbers. The Company shall advise the Trustee in writing of any change in any "CUSIP" numbers, ISINs or "Common Code" numbers applicable to the Securities.

SECTION 2.13. <u>Issuance of Additional Securities</u>. After the Issue Date, the Company shall be entitled, subject to its compliance with Section 4.03 and the registration thereof under the Securities Act, to issue Additional Securities under this Indenture, which Securities shall have identical terms as the Securities issued on the Issue Date, other than with respect to the date of issuance and issue price. All the Securities issued under this Indenture shall be treated as a single class for all purposes of this Indenture including waivers, amendments, redemptions and offers to purchase.

With respect to any Additional Securities, the Company shall set forth in a resolution of the Board of Directors and an Officers' Certificate, a copy of each which shall be delivered to the Trustee, the following information:

- (1) the aggregate principal amount of such Additional Securities to be authenticated and delivered pursuant to this Indenture and the provision of Section 4.03 that the Company is relying on to issue such Additional Securities; and
- (2) the issue price, the issue date and the CUSIP number of such Additional Securities; provided, however, that no Additional Securities may be issued at a price that would cause such Additional Securities to have "original issue discount" within the meaning of Section 1273 of the Code.

Article 3

Redemption

SECTION 3.01. Notices to Trustee. If the Company elects to redeem Securities pursuant to paragraph 5 of the Securities, it shall notify the Trustee in writing of the redemption date, the principal amount of Securities to be redeemed and the paragraph of the Securities pursuant to which the redemption will occur.

The Company shall give each notice to the Trustee provided for in this Section at least 60 days before the redemption date unless the Trustee consents to a shorter period. Such notice shall be accompanied by an Officers' Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel from the Company to the effect that such redemption will comply with the conditions herein.

SECTION 3.02. <u>Selection of Securities to Be Redeemed.</u> If fewer than all the Securities are to be redeemed, the Trustee shall select the Securities to be redeemed pro rata to the extent practicable. The Trustee shall make the selection from outstanding Securities not previously called for redemption. The Trustee may select for redemption portions of the principal of Securities that have denominations larger than \$2,000. Securities and portions of them the Trustee selects shall be in principal amounts of \$2,000 or any greater integral multiple of \$1,000. Provisions of this Indenture that apply to Securities called for redemption also apply to portions of Securities called for redemption. The Trustee shall notify the Company promptly of the Securities or portions of Securities to be redeemed.

SECTION 3.03. Notice of Redemption. At least 30 days but not more than 60 days before a date for redemption of Securities, the Company shall mail a notice of redemption by first-class mail to each Holder of Securities to be redeemed at such Holder's registered address.

The notice shall identify the Securities to be redeemed and shall state:

- (1) the redemption date;
- (2) the redemption price;
- (3) the name and address of the Paying Agent;
- (4) that Securities called for redemption must be surrendered to the Paying Agent to collect the redemption price;
- (5) if fewer than all the outstanding Securities are to be redeemed, the identification and principal amounts of the particular Securities to be redeemed;
- (6) that, unless the Company defaults in making such redemption payment, interest on Securities (or portion thereof) called for redemption ceases to accrue on and after the redemption date;
 - (7) the "CUSIP" number, ISIN or "Common Code" number, if any, printed on the Securities being redeemed;
- (8) that no representation is made as to the correctness or accuracy of the "CUSIP" number, ISIN, or "Common Code" number, if any, listed in such notice or printed on the Securities; and
 - (9) if applicable, the conditions precedent to the redemption.

At the Company's request, the Trustee shall give the notice of redemption in the Company's name and at the Company's expense. In such event, the Company shall provide the Trustee with the information required by this Section.

SECTION 3.04. Effect of Notice of Redemption. Once notice of redemption is mailed, and subject to Section 3.07, Securities called for redemption become due and payable on the redemption date and at the redemption price stated in the notice. Upon surrender to the Paying Agent, and subject to Section 3.07, such Securities shall be paid at the redemption price stated in the notice, plus accrued interest to the redemption date (subject to the right of Holders of record on the relevant record date to receive interest due on the related interest payment date), and such Securities shall be canceled by the Trustee. Failure to give notice or any defect in the notice to any Holder shall not affect the validity of the notice to any other Holder.

SECTION 3.05. <u>Deposit of Redemption Price</u>. Prior to the redemption date, the Company shall deposit with the Paying Agent (or, if the Company or a Subsidiary is the Paying Agent, shall segregate and hold in trust) money sufficient to pay the redemption price of and accrued interest on all Securities to be redeemed on that date other than Securities or portions of Securities called for redemption which have been delivered by the Company to the Trustee for cancellation.

SECTION 3.06. <u>Securities Redeemed in Part.</u> Upon surrender of a Security that is redeemed in part, the Company shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate for the Holder (at the Company's expense) a new Security equal in principal amount to the unredeemed portion of the Security surrendered. The Trustee or the Paying Agent shall promptly return to the Company any money deposited with the Trustee or the Paying Agent by the Company in excess of the amounts necessary to pay the redemption price for, and accrued interest on, all Securities to be redeemed.

SECTION 3.07. <u>Company Discretion</u>. Any redemption and notice of redemption may, at the Company's discretion, be subject to the satisfaction of one or more conditions precedent (including, in the case of a redemption related to a Public Equity Offering, the consummation of such Public Equity Offering).

Article 4

Covenants

SECTION 4.01. <u>Payment of Securities</u>. The Company shall promptly pay the principal of and interest on the Securities on the dates and in the manner provided in the Securities and in this Indenture. Principal and interest shall be considered paid on the date due if on such date the Trustee or the Paying Agent holds in accordance with this Indenture money sufficient to pay all principal and interest then due.

The Company shall pay interest on overdue principal at the rate specified therefor in the Securities, and it shall pay interest on overdue installments of interest at the same rate to the extent lawful.

SECTION 4.02. SEC Reports. Whether or not the Company is subject to the reporting requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act, the Company shall file with the SEC, subject to the next sentence, and provide the Trustee and Securityholders with such annual and other reports as are specified in Sections 13 and 15(d) of the Exchange Act and applicable to a U.S. corporation subject to such Sections, such reports to be so filed and provided at the times specified for the filings of such reports under such Sections and containing all the information, audit reports and exhibits required for such reports. If, at any time, the Company is not subject to the periodic reporting requirements of the Exchange Act for any reason, the Company shall nevertheless continue filing the reports specified in the preceding sentence with the SEC within the time periods required unless the SEC will not accept such filing. The Company agrees that it shall not take any action for the purpose of causing the SEC not to accept such filings. If, notwithstanding the foregoing, the SEC will not accept such filings for any reason, the Company shall post the reports specified in the preceding sentence on its website within the time periods that would apply if the Company were required to file those reports with the SEC.

At any time that any of the Company's Subsidiaries are Unrestricted Subsidiaries, then the quarterly and annual financial information required by the preceding paragraph will include a reasonably detailed presentation, either on the face of the financial statements or in the footnotes thereto, and in "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations", of the financial condition and results of operations of the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries separate from the financial condition and results of operations of the Unrestricted Subsidiaries of the Company.

The Company shall comply with the provisions of TIA § 314(a).

In addition, at any time that Parent holds no material assets other than cash, Temporary Cash Investments and the Capital Stock of the Company or any other direct or indirect intermediate holding company parent of the Company (and performs the related incidental activities associated with such ownership) and complies with the requirements of Rule 3-10 of Regulation S-X promulgated by the SEC (or any successor provision), the reports, information and other documents required to be filed and furnished to Holders of the Securities pursuant to this Section 4.02 may, at the option of the Company, be filed by and be those of Parent rather than of the Company; provided, however, that the issuance by Parent of any Indebtedness or Capital Stock shall not be deemed to prevent the Company from exercising its option described in this paragraph to file and furnish reports, information and other documents of Parent to satisfy the requirements of this Section 4.02.

SECTION 4.03. <u>Limitation on Indebtedness.</u> (a) The Company shall not, and shall not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, Incur, directly or indirectly, any Indebtedness; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the Company and the Subsidiary Guarantors shall be entitled to Incur Indebtedness if, on the date of such Incurrence and after giving effect thereto on a <u>pro forma</u> basis, the Consolidated Coverage Ratio exceeds 2.0 to 1.0.

- (b) Notwithstanding Section 4.03(a), the Company and the Restricted Subsidiaries shall be entitled to Incur any or all of the following Indebtedness:
 - (1) Indebtedness of the Company and the Subsidiary Guarantors pursuant to Credit Facilities; provided, however, that, immediately after giving effect to any such Incurrence, the aggregate principal amount of all Indebtedness Incurred under this clause (b)(1) and clause (b)(13) below and then outstanding does not exceed \$7,815,000,000 less the sum of all principal payments with respect to such Indebtedness pursuant to Section 4.06(a)(3) (A);
 - (2) Indebtedness owed to and held by the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary; provided, however, that (A) any subsequent issuance or transfer of any Capital Stock which results in any such Restricted Subsidiary ceasing to be a Restricted Subsidiary or any subsequent transfer of such Indebtedness (other than to the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary) shall be deemed, in each case, to constitute the Incurrence of such Indebtedness by the obligor thereon, (B) if the Company is the obligor on such Indebtedness and such Indebtedness is held by a Restricted Subsidiary that is not a Subsidiary Guarantor, such Indebtedness is expressly subordinated to the prior payment in full in cash of all obligations with respect to the Securities and (C) if a Subsidiary Guarantor is the obligor on such Indebtedness and such Indebtedness is held by a Restricted Subsidiary that is not a Subsidiary Guarantor, such Indebtedness is expressly subordinated to the prior payment in full in cash of all obligations of such Subsidiary Guarantor or with respect to its Subsidiary Guaranty;
 - (3) the Securities (other than any Additional Securities);
 - (4) Indebtedness outstanding on the Issue Date (other than Indebtedness described in clause (1), (2) or (3) of this Section 4.03(b));
 - (5) Indebtedness of a Restricted Subsidiary Incurred and outstanding on or prior to the date on which such Subsidiary was acquired by the Company (other than Indebtedness Incurred in connection with, or to provide all or any portion of the funds or credit support utilized to consummate, the transaction or series of related transactions pursuant to which such Subsidiary became a Subsidiary or was acquired by the Company); provided, however, that on the date of such acquisition and after giving pro forma effect thereto, the Company would have been entitled to Incur at least \$1.00 of additional Indebtedness pursuant to Section 4.03(a) or the Consolidated Coverage Ratio would be higher after giving pro forma effect to such acquisition;
 - (6) Refinancing Indebtedness in respect of Indebtedness Incurred pursuant to Section 4.03(a) or pursuant to clause (3), (4) or (5) of this Section 4.03(b) or this clause (6); <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that to the extent such Refinancing Indebtedness directly or indirectly Refinances Indebtedness of a Subsidiary Incurred pursuant to clause (5), such Refinancing Indebtedness shall be Incurred only by such Subsidiary;

- (7) Hedging Obligations;
- (8) obligations in respect of performance, bid, appeal and surety bonds and completion guarantees provided by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary in the ordinary course of business;
- (9) Indebtedness arising from the honoring by a bank or other financial institution of a check, draft or similar instrument drawn against insufficient funds in the ordinary course of business; provided, however, that such Indebtedness is extinguished within five Business Days of its Incurrence:
- (10) Indebtedness consisting of the Guarantee of a Subsidiary Guarantor of Indebtedness Incurred pursuant to this Section 4.03 (other than Indebtedness Incurred pursuant to clauses (5) and (14) of this Section 4.03(b) or Refinancing Indebtedness Incurred pursuant to Section 4.03(b)(6) to the extent such Refinancing Indebtedness Refinances Indebtedness Incurred pursuant to such clause (5)); <u>provided, however</u>, that if the Indebtedness being guaranteed is subordinated to or <u>pari passu</u> with the Securities, then the Guarantee thereof shall be subordinated or <u>pari passu</u>, as applicable, to the same extent as the Indebtedness being Guaranteed;
- (11) Purchase Money Indebtedness and any Refinancing Indebtedness Incurred to Refinance such Indebtedness, in an aggregate principal amount which, when added together with the amount of Indebtedness Incurred pursuant to this clause (11) and then outstanding, does not exceed 4% of Total Assets;
 - (12) Physician Support Obligations incurred by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary;
- (13) Indebtedness Incurred pursuant to a Qualified Receivables Transaction; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that, at the time of such Incurrence, the Company would have been entitled to Incur Indebtedness pursuant to Section 4.03(b)(1) in an amount equal to the Receivables Transaction Amount of such Qualified Receivables Transaction;
- (14) Non-Recourse Indebtedness of Restricted Subsidiaries in an aggregate principal amount which, when taken together with all other Non-Recourse Indebtedness of Restricted Subsidiaries Incurred pursuant to this clause (14) and then outstanding does not exceed 4% of Total Assets;
- (15) the Incurrence by the Company or any Guarantor of Indebtedness to the extent that the net proceeds thereof are promptly deposited to fully defease or fully satisfy and discharge the Securities; and
- (16) Indebtedness of the Company or the Subsidiary Guarantors in an aggregate principal amount which, when taken together with all other Indebtedness of the Company and its Subsidiary Guarantors Incurred pursuant to this clause (16) and then outstanding does not exceed the greater of \$750,000,000 and 5% of Total Assets.

- (c) For purposes of determining compliance with this Section 4.03, (1) any Indebtedness outstanding under the Credit Agreement as of the Issue Date will be treated as Incurred on the Issue Date under Section 4.03(b)(1), (2) in the event that an item of Indebtedness (or any portion thereof) meets the criteria of more than one of the types of Indebtedness described herein, the Company, in its sole discretion, shall classify such item of Indebtedness (or any portion thereof) at the time of Incurrence and will only be required to include the amount and type of such Indebtedness in one of the above clauses of Section 4.03(a) or Section 4.03(b), (3) the Company shall be entitled to divide and classify an item of Indebtedness in more than one of the types of Indebtedness described herein and (4) in the case of any Indebtedness initially Incurred pursuant to Section 4.03(b)(11), (14) or (16), the Company shall be entitled, in its sole discretion, to later reclassify all or any portion of such Indebtedness as having been Incurred under any other clause of Section 4.03(a) or Section 4.03(b) as long as, at the time of such reclassification, such Indebtedness (or portion thereof) would be permitted to be Incurred pursuant to such other clause or paragraph.
- (d) For purposes of determining compliance with any U.S. dollar restriction on the Incurrence of Indebtedness where the Indebtedness Incurred is denominated in a different currency, the amount of such Indebtedness will be the U.S. Dollar Equivalent, determined on the date of the Incurrence of such Indebtedness; provided, however, that if any such Indebtedness denominated in a different currency is subject to a Currency Agreement with respect to U.S. dollars, covering all principal, premium, if any, and interest payable on such Indebtedness, the amount of such Indebtedness expressed in U.S. dollars will be as provided in such Currency Agreement. The principal amount of any Refinancing Indebtedness Incurred in the same currency as the Indebtedness being Refinanced will be the U.S. Dollar Equivalent of the Indebtedness Refinanced, except to the extent that (1) such U.S. Dollar Equivalent was determined based on a Currency Agreement, in which case the Refinancing Indebtedness will be determined in accordance with the preceding sentence, and (2) the principal amount of the Refinancing Indebtedness exceeds the principal amount of the Indebtedness being Refinanced, in which case the U.S. Dollar Equivalent of such excess will be determined on the date such Refinancing Indebtedness is Incurred.

SECTION 4.04. <u>Limitation on Restricted Payments.</u> (a) The Company shall not, and shall not permit any Restricted Subsidiary, directly or indirectly, to make a Restricted Payment if at the time the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary makes such Restricted Payment:

- (1) a Default shall have occurred and be continuing (or would result therefrom);
- (2) the Company is not entitled to Incur an additional \$1.00 of Indebtedness under Section 4.03(a); or

- (3) the aggregate amount of such Restricted Payment and all other Restricted Payments since the RP Reference Date would exceed the sum of (without duplication):
 - (A) 50% of the Consolidated Net Income accrued during the period (treated as one accounting period) from the beginning of the fiscal quarter during which the RP Reference Date occured to the end of the most recent fiscal quarter for which internal financial statements are available at the time of such Restricted Payment (or, in case such Consolidated Net Income shall be a deficit, minus 100% of such deficit); plus
 - (B) 100% of the aggregate Net Cash Proceeds and the fair market value, as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors of the Company, of other property received by the Company from the issuance or sale of its Capital Stock (other than Disqualified Stock) subsequent to the RP Reference Date (other than an issuance or sale to a Subsidiary of the Company and other than an issuance or sale to an employee stock ownership plan or to a trust established by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries for the benefit of their employees) and 100% of any cash capital contribution and the fair market value, as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors of the Company, of other property received by the Company from its stockholders subsequent to the RP Reference Date; plus
 - (C) 100% of the aggregate Net Cash Proceeds and the fair market value, as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors of the Company, of other property received by the Company from the Incurrence of Indebtedness to the extent such Indebtedness is converted or exchanged for Capital Stock (other than Disqualified Stock) subsequent to the RP Reference Date (other than an Incurrence to a Subsidiary of the Company and other than an Incurrence to an employee stock ownership plan or to a trust established by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries for the benefit of their employees) (less the amount of any cash distributed by the Company upon such conversion or exchange); plus
 - (D) an amount equal to the sum of (i) the aggregate amount received by the Company or its Restricted Subsidiaries after the RP Reference Date resulting from repurchases, repayments or redemptions of Investments (other than Permitted Investments) made by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary in any Person, proceeds realized on the sale of such Investment and proceeds representing the return of capital (excluding dividends and distributions), in each case received by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary, and (ii) to the extent such Person is an Unrestricted Subsidiary, the portion (proportionate to the Company's equity interest in such Subsidiary) of the fair market value of the net assets of such Unrestricted Subsidiary at the time such Unrestricted Subsidiary is designated a Restricted Subsidiary.

- (b) The provisions of Section 4.04(a) shall not prohibit:
- (1) any Restricted Payment made out of the Net Cash Proceeds of the substantially concurrent sale of, or made by exchange for, Capital Stock of the Company (other than Disqualified Stock and other than Capital Stock issued or sold to a Subsidiary of the Company or an employee stock ownership plan or to a trust established by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries for the benefit of their employees) or a substantially concurrent cash capital contribution received by the Company from its stockholders; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that (A) such Restricted Payment shall be excluded in the calculation of the amount of Restricted Payments and (B) the Net Cash Proceeds from such sale or such cash capital contribution (to the extent so used for such Restricted Payment) shall be excluded from the calculation of amounts under Section 4.04(a)(3)(B);
- (2) any purchase, repurchase, redemption, defeasance or other acquisition or retirement for value of Subordinated Obligations of the Company or a Subsidiary Guarantor made by exchange for, or out of the proceeds of the substantially concurrent Incurrence of, Subordinated Obligations of such Person which are permitted to be Incurred pursuant to Section 4.03; provided, however, that such purchase, repurchase, redemption, defeasance or other acquisition or retirement for value shall be excluded in the calculation of the amount of Restricted Payments;
- (3) dividends paid within 60 days after the date of declaration thereof if at such date of declaration such dividend would have complied with this Section 4.04 or the redemption, repurchase or retirement of Subordinated Obligations, if at the date of any irrevocable redemption notice such payment would have complied with this Section 4.04; provided, however, that the payment of such dividend or payment of Subordinated Obligations shall be included in the calculation of the amount of Restricted Payments;
- (4) so long as no Default has occurred and is continuing the purchase, redemption or other acquisition of shares of Capital Stock of Parent, the Company or any of its Subsidiaries from consultants, former consultants, employees, former employees, directors or former directors of Parent, the Company or any of its Subsidiaries (or permitted transferees of such employees, former employees, directors or former directors), pursuant to the terms of the agreements (including employment agreements) or plans (or amendments thereto) approved by the Board of Directors under which such individuals purchase or sell or are granted the option to purchase or sell, shares of such Capital Stock; provided, however, that the aggregate amount of such Restricted Payments (excluding amounts representing cancellation of Indebtedness) shall not exceed \$60,000,000 in any calendar year (with unused amounts in any calendar year being carried over to succeeding calendar years); provided further, however, that such amount in any

calendar year may be increased by an amount not to exceed (A) the cash proceeds from the sale of Capital Stock of the Company and, to the extent contributed to the Company, Capital Stock of Parent, in each case to employees, directors or consultants of Parent, the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries, that occurs after the Issue Date plus (B) the cash proceeds of key man life insurance policies received by the Company or its Restricted Subsidiaries, or by Parent to the extent contributed to the Company, after the Issue Date (provided that the Company shall be entitled to elect to apply all or any portion of the aggregate increase contemplated by clauses (A) and (B) above in any calendar year) less (C) the amount of any Restricted Payments previously made pursuant to clause (A) and (B) of this clause (4); provided further, however, that such Restricted Payments shall be excluded in the calculation of the amount of Restricted Payments;

- (5) the declaration and payments of dividends on Disqualified Stock issued pursuant to Section 4.03; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that, at the time of payment of such dividend, no Default shall have occurred and be continuing (or result therefrom); <u>provided</u> <u>further</u>, <u>however</u>, that such dividends shall be excluded in the calculation of the amount of Restricted Payments;
- (6) repurchases of Capital Stock deemed to occur upon exercise of stock options or warrants if such Capital Stock represents a portion of the exercise price of such options or warrants; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that such Restricted Payments shall be excluded in the calculation of the amount of Restricted Payments;
- (7) cash payments in lieu of the issuance of fractional shares in connection with the exercise of warrants, options or other securities convertible into or exchangeable for Capital Stock of the Company; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that any such cash payment shall not be for the purpose of evading the limitation of this Section 4.04 (as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors); <u>provided further</u>, <u>however</u>, that such payments shall be excluded in the calculation of the amount of Restricted Payments;
- (8) in the event of a Change of Control or Asset Disposition, the payment, purchase, redemption, defeasance or other acquisition or retirement of Subordinated Obligations or Disqualified Stock of Parent, the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary; provided, however, that prior to such payment, purchase, redemption, defeasance or other acquisition or retirement, the Company (or a third party to the extent permitted by this Indenture) has made a Change of Control Offer with respect to the Securities as a result of such Change of Control or an offer to purchase the Securities with the Net Cash Proceeds of an Asset Disposition and has purchased all Securities validly tendered and not withdrawn in connection in with such offer; provided further, however, that such payments, purchases, redemptions, defeasances or other acquisitions or retirements shall be excluded in the calculation of the amount of Restricted Payments;

- (9) payments of intercompany subordinated Indebtedness, the Incurrence of which was permitted under Section 4.03(b)(2); <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that no Default has occurred and is continuing or would otherwise result therefrom; <u>provided further</u>, <u>however</u>, that such payments shall be excluded in the calculation of the amount of Restricted Payments;
- (10) Restricted Payments made by or in connection with the sale, disposition, transfer, dividend, distribution, contribution or other disposition of assets, other than cash or Temporary Cash Investments, in an amount which, when taken together with all Restricted Payments previously made pursuant to this clause (10), does not exceed 4% of Total Assets; provided, however, that (A) at the time of each such Restricted Payment, no Default shall have occurred and be continuing (or result therefrom), (B) at the time of and after giving effect to each such Restricted Payment, the Company is entitled to Incur an additional \$1.00 of Indebtedness pursuant to Section 4.03(a) and (C) the amount of Restricted Payments made pursuant to this clause (10) shall be excluded in the calculation of the amount of Restricted Payments;
- (11) the declaration and payment of dividends to, or the making of loans to Parent in amounts required for Parent to pay, without duplication:
 (A) franchise taxes and other fees, taxes and expenses required to maintain its corporate existence; (B) income taxes to the extent such income taxes are attributable to the income of the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries and, to the extent of the amount actually received from the Unrestricted Subsidiaries, in amounts required to pay such taxes to the extent attributable to the income of the Unrestricted Subsidiaries; (C) customary salary, bonus, severance, indemnification obligations and other benefits payable to officers and employees of Parent; (D) general corporate overhead and operating expenses for Parent; and (E) reasonable fees and expenses incurred in connection with any unsuccessful debt or equity offering or other financing transaction by Parent; provided, however, that such payments shall be excluded in the calculation of the amount of Restricted Payments;
- (12) distributions of Investments in Unrestricted Subsidiaries; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that such distributions shall be excluded in the calculation of the amount of Restricted Payments;
- (13) payments in connection with a Qualified Receivables Transaction; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that such payments shall be excluded in the calculation of the amount of Restricted Payments;
- (14) so long as no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing (or would result therefrom), mandatory redemptions of any Disqualified Stock issued as a Restricted Payment or as consideration for a Permitted Investment; <u>provided</u> that (A) the aggregate amount paid for such redemptions with respect to any such issuance is no greater than the corresponding amount that constituted a Restricted Payment or Permitted Investment upon issuance thereof and (B) at the time of and after giving effect to each such mandatory redemption, the Company is entitled to Incur an additional \$1.00 of Indebtedness pursuant to Section 4.03(a); or

- (15) Restricted Payments in an amount which, when taken together with all Restricted Payments previously made pursuant to this clause (15) does not exceed \$300,000,000; provided, however, that (A) at the time of each such Restricted Payment, no Default shall have occurred and be continuing (or result therefrom) and (B) the amount of Restricted Payments made pursuant to this clause (15) shall be excluded in the calculation of the amount of Restricted Payments.
- SECTION 4.05. <u>Limitation on Restrictions on Distributions from Restricted Subsidiaries</u>. The Company will not, and will not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, create or otherwise cause or permit to exist or become effective any consensual encumbrance or restriction on the ability of any Restricted Subsidiary to (a) pay dividends or make any other distributions on its Capital Stock to the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary or pay any Indebtedness owed to the Company, (b) make any loans or advances to the Company or (c) transfer any of its property or assets to the Company, except:
 - (1) with respect to clauses (a), (b) and (c),
 - (A) any encumbrance or restriction pursuant to an agreement in effect at or entered into on the Issue Date, including the Credit Agreement in effect on the Issue Date;
 - (B) any encumbrance or restriction with respect to a Restricted Subsidiary pursuant to an agreement relating to any Indebtedness Incurred by such Restricted Subsidiary on or prior to the date on which such Restricted Subsidiary was acquired by the Company (other than Indebtedness Incurred as consideration in, or to provide all or any portion of the funds or credit support utilized to consummate, the transaction or series of related transactions pursuant to which such Restricted Subsidiary became a Restricted Subsidiary or was acquired by the Company) and outstanding on such date;
 - (C) any encumbrance or restriction pursuant to an agreement effecting a Refinancing of Indebtedness Incurred pursuant to an agreement referred to in Section 4.05(1)(A) or (B) or this clause (C) or contained in any amendment to an agreement referred to in Section 4.05(1)(A) or (B) or this clause (C); provided, however, that the encumbrances and restrictions with respect to such Restricted Subsidiary contained in any such refinancing agreement or amendment are no less favorable to the holders of the Securities than encumbrances and restrictions with respect to such Restricted Subsidiary contained in such predecessor agreements;

- (D) any encumbrance or restriction included in contracts for the sale of assets, including any encumbrance or restriction with respect to a Restricted Subsidiary imposed pursuant to an agreement entered into for the sale or disposition of all or substantially all the Capital Stock or assets of such Restricted Subsidiary pending the closing of such sale or disposition;
- (E) any encumbrance or restriction required by the terms of any agreement relating to a Qualified Receivables Transaction; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that such encumbrance or restriction applies only to such Qualified Receivables Transaction;
- (F) any encumbrance or restriction on cash or other deposits or net worth imposed by customers under contracts entered into in the ordinary course of business;
- (G) any encumbrance or restriction pursuant to the terms of any agreement or instrument relating to any Indebtedness of a Restricted Subsidiary permitted to be Incurred subsequent to the Issue Date pursuant to Section 4.03 (i) if such encumbrance and restriction contained in any such agreement or instrument taken as a whole are not materially less favorable to the holders of the Securities than the encumbrances and restrictions contained in the Credit Agreement on the Issue Date (as determined in good faith by the Company) or (ii) if the encumbrances and restrictions are not materially more disadvantageous to the holders of the Securities than is customary in comparable financings (as determined in good faith by the Company) and either (x) the Company determines that such encumbrance or restriction will not adversely affect the Company's ability to make principal and interest payments on the Securities as and when they come due or (y) such encumbrances and restrictions apply only during the continuance of a default in respect of a payment or financial maintenance covenant relating to such Indebtedness:
- (H) any encumbrance or restriction pursuant to the terms of any agreement or instrument relating to any Indebtedness of Subsidiary Guarantors or Foreign Subsidiaries to the extent such Indebtedness is permitted to be Incurred pursuant to an agreement entered into subsequent to the Issue Date pursuant to Section 4.03;
- (I) any encumbrance or restriction pursuant to customary provisions in joint venture agreements and other similar agreements entered into in the ordinary course of business; and
 - (J) applicable law or any applicable rule, regulation or order; and

(2) with respect to clause (c) only,

- (A) any encumbrance or restriction consisting of customary nonassignment provisions in leases governing leasehold interests to the extent such provisions restrict the transfer of the lease or the property leased thereunder; and
- (B) any encumbrance or restriction contained in security agreements or mortgages securing Indebtedness of a Restricted Subsidiary to the extent such encumbrance or restriction restricts the transfer of the property subject to such security agreements or mortgages.

SECTION 4.06. Limitation on Sales of Assets and Subsidiary Stock. (a) The Company shall not, and shall not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, directly or indirectly, consummate any Asset Disposition unless (1) the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary receives consideration at the time of such Asset Disposition at least equal to the fair market value (including as to the value of all non-cash consideration), as determined in good faith by the Company, of the shares and assets subject to such Asset Disposition; (2) at least 75% of the consideration thereof received by the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary is in the form of cash or cash equivalents; and (3) an amount equal to 100% of the Net Available Cash from such Asset Disposition is applied by the Company (or such Restricted Subsidiary, as the case may be) (A) first, to the extent the Company elects (or is required by the terms of any Indebtedness), to prepay, repay, redeem or purchase Senior Indebtedness of the Company or of a Subsidiary Guarantor or Indebtedness (other than any Disqualified Stock) of a Restricted Subsidiary (in each case other than Indebtedness owed to the Company or a Subsidiary of the Company) within one year from the later of the date of such Asset Disposition or the receipt of such Net Available Cash; (B) second, to the extent of the balance of such Net Available Cash after application in accordance with clause (A), to the extent the Company elects, to acquire Additional Assets within one year from the later of the date of such Asset Disposition or the receipt of such Net Available Cash; and (C) third, to the extent of the balance of such Net Available Cash after application in accordance with clauses (A) and (B), to make an Offer to the holders of the Securities (and to holders of other Senior Indebtedness of the Company or of a Subsidiary Guarantor designated by the Company) to purchase Securities (and such other Senior Indebtedness of the Company) pursuant to and subject to the conditions contained in this Indenture; provided, however, that in connection with any prepayment, repayment or purchase of Indebtedness pursuant to clause (A) or (C) above, the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary shall permanently retire such Indebtedness and shall cause the related loan commitment (if any) to be permanently reduced in an amount equal to the principal amount so prepaid, repaid or purchased, although such requirement to retire Indebtedness and reduce loan commitments shall not be deemed to prohibit the Company and the Restricted Subsidiaries from thereafter Incurring Indebtedness otherwise permitted by Section 4.03; provided, however, that, in the case of clause (B) above a binding commitment shall be treated as a permitted application of the Net Available Cash from the date of such commitment so long as the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary enters into such commitment with the good faith expectation that such Net Proceeds will be applied to satisfy such commitment within 180 days of such commitment (an "Acceptable Commitment"); provided further that if any Acceptable Commitment is later canceled or terminated for any reason before such

Net Available Cash is applied, then such Net Available Cash shall be applied pursuant to clause (C) above. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 4.06, the Company and the Restricted Subsidiaries shall not be required to apply any Net Available Cash in accordance with this Section 4.06(a) except to the extent that the aggregate Net Available Cash from all Asset Dispositions which is not applied in accordance with this Section 4.06(a) exceeds \$100,000,000. Pending application of Net Available Cash pursuant to this Section 4.06(a), such Net Available Cash shall be invested in Temporary Cash Investments or applied to temporarily reduce revolving credit indebtedness or in any other manner permitted by this Indenture.

For the purposes of this Section 4.06(a), the following are deemed to be cash or cash equivalents: (i) the assumption or discharge of Indebtedness or other liabilities of the Company (other than obligations in respect of Disqualified Stock of the Company) or any Restricted Subsidiary (other than obligations in respect of Disqualified Stock of a Subsidiary Guarantor) and the release of the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary from all liability on such Indebtedness or other liability in connection with such Asset Disposition; (ii) securities or other obligations received by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary from the transferee that are converted by the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary into cash within 180 days of the Asset Disposition, to the extent of the cash received in that conversion; (iii) Additional Assets; and (iv) any Designated Noncash Consideration received by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary in such Asset Disposition having an aggregate fair market value (as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors), taken together with all other Designated Noncash Consideration received pursuant to this clause) that is at that time outstanding, not to exceed the greater of (x) \$250,000,000 and (y) an amount equal to 3% of Total Assets on the date on which such Designated Noncash Consideration is received (with the fair market value of each item of Designated Noncash Consideration being measured at the time received without giving effect to subsequent changes in value).

(b) In the event of an Asset Disposition that requires the purchase of Securities (and other Senior Indebtedness of the Company or of a Subsidiary Guarantor) pursuant to Section 4.06(a)(3)(C), the Company will purchase Securities tendered pursuant to an offer by the Company for the Securities (and such other Senior Indebtedness of the Company or of a Subsidiary Guarantor) (the "Offer") at a purchase price of 100% of their principal amount (or, in the event such other Senior Indebtedness was issued with significant original issue discount, 100% of the accreted value thereof), without premium, plus accrued but unpaid interest (or, in respect of such other Senior Indebtedness, such other price, not to exceed 100%, as may be provided for by the terms of such other Senior Indebtedness) in accordance with the procedures (including prorating in the event of oversubscription) set forth in Section 4.06(c). If the aggregate purchase price of securities tendered exceeds the Net Available Cash allotted to their purchase, the Company shall select the securities to be purchased on a pro rata basis but in round denominations, which in the case of the Securities will be denominations of \$2,000 principal amount or any greater integral multiple of \$1,000. The Company shall not be required to make an Offer to purchase Securities (and other Senior Indebtedness of the Company or a Subsidiary Guarantor) pursuant to this Section 4.06 if the Net Available Cash available therefor is less than \$100,000,000 (which lesser amount shall be

carried forward for purposes of determining whether such an Offer is required with respect to the Net Available Cash from any subsequent Asset Disposition). Upon completion of such an Offer, Net Available Cash shall be deemed to be reduced by the aggregate amount of such Offer.

(c) (1) Promptly, and in any event within 10 days after the Company becomes obligated to make an Offer, the Company shall deliver to the Trustee and send, by first-class mail to each Holder, a written notice stating that the Holder may elect to have his Securities purchased by the Company either in whole or in part (subject to prorating as described in Section 4.06(b) in the event the Offer is oversubscribed) in denominations of \$2,000 principal amount or any greater integral multiple of \$1,000, at the applicable purchase price. The notice shall specify a purchase date not less than 30 days nor more than 60 days after the date of such notice (the "Purchase Date") and shall contain such information concerning the business of the Company which the Company in good faith believes will enable such Holders to make an informed decision (which at a minimum will include (A) the most recently filed Annual Report on Form 10-K (including audited consolidated financial statements) of the Company, the most recent subsequently filed Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and any Current Report on Form 8-K of the Company filed subsequent to such Quarterly Report, other than Current Reports describing Asset Dispositions otherwise described in the offering materials (or corresponding successor reports), (B) a description of material developments in the Company's business subsequent to the date of the latest of such reports, and (C) if material, appropriate pro forma financial information) and all instructions and materials necessary to tender Securities pursuant to the Offer, together with the information contained in clause (3).

(2) Not later than the date upon which written notice of an Offer is delivered to the Trustee as provided below, the Company shall deliver to the Trustee an Officers' Certificate as to (A) the amount of the Offer (the "Offer Amount"), including information as to any other Senior Indebtedness included in the Offer, (B) the allocation of the Net Available Cash from the Asset Disposition pursuant to which such Offer is being made and (C) the compliance of such allocation with the provisions of Section 4.06(a) and (b). On such date, the Company shall also irrevocably deposit with the Trustee or with a Paying Agent (or, if the Company is acting as its own Paying Agent, segregate and hold in trust) in Temporary Cash Investments, maturing on the last day prior to the Purchase Date or on the Purchase Date if funds are immediately available by open of business, an amount equal to the Offer Amount to be held for payment in accordance with the provisions of this Section. If the Offer includes other Senior Indebtedness, the deposit described in the preceding sentence may be made with any other paying agent pursuant to arrangements satisfactory to the Trustee. Upon the expiration of the period for which the Offer remains open (the "Offer Period"), the Company shall deliver to the Trustee for cancellation the Securities or portions thereof which have been properly tendered to and are to be accepted by the Company. The Trustee shall, on the Purchase Date, mail or deliver payment (or cause the delivery of payment) to each tendering Holder in the amount of the purchase price. In the event that the aggregate purchase price of

the Securities delivered by the Company to the Trustee is less than the Offer Amount applicable to the Securities, the Trustee shall deliver the excess to the Company immediately after the expiration of the Offer Period for application in accordance with this Section 4.06.

- (3) Holders electing to have a Security purchased shall be required to surrender the Security, with an appropriate form duly completed, to the Company at the address specified in the notice at least three Business Days prior to the Purchase Date. Holders shall be entitled to withdraw their election if the Trustee or the Company receives not later than one Business Day prior to the Purchase Date, a telex, facsimile transmission or letter setting forth the name of the Holder, the principal amount of the Security which was delivered for purchase by the Holder and a statement that such Holder is withdrawing his election to have such Security purchased. Holders whose Securities are purchased only in part shall be issued new Securities equal in principal amount to the unpurchased portion of the Securities surrendered.
- (4) At the time the Company delivers Securities to the Trustee which are to be accepted for purchase, the Company shall also deliver an Officers' Certificate stating that such Securities are to be accepted by the Company pursuant to and in accordance with the terms of this Section. A Security shall be deemed to have been accepted for purchase at the time the Trustee, directly or through an agent, mails or delivers payment therefor to the surrendering Holder.
- (d) The Company shall comply, to the extent applicable, with the requirements of Section 14(e) of the Exchange Act and any other securities laws or regulations in connection with the repurchase of Securities pursuant to this Section 4.06. To the extent that the provisions of any securities laws or regulations conflict with provisions of this Section 4.06, the Company shall comply with the applicable securities laws and regulations and shall not be deemed to have breached its obligations under this Section 4.06 by virtue of its compliance with such securities laws or regulations.

SECTION 4.07. <u>Limitation on Affiliate Transactions.</u> (a) The Company will not, and will not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, enter into or permit to exist any transaction (including the purchase, sale, lease or exchange of any property, employee compensation arrangements or the rendering of any service) with, or for the benefit of, any Affiliate of the Company (an "Affiliate Transaction") involving aggregate consideration in excess of \$5,000,000 unless (1) the terms of the Affiliate Transaction are no less favorable to the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary than those that could be obtained at the time of the Affiliate Transaction in arm's-length dealings with a Person who is not an Affiliate; (2) if such Affiliate Transaction involves an amount in excess of \$25,000,000, the terms of the Affiliate Transaction are set forth in writing and a majority of the directors of the Company disinterested with respect to such Affiliate Transaction, if any, have determined in good faith that the criteria set forth in clause (1) are satisfied and have approved the relevant Affiliate Transaction as evidenced by a resolution of the Board of Directors; and (3) if such Affiliate Transaction involves an amount in excess of \$100,000,000, the Board of Directors shall also have received a written opinion from an

Independent Qualified Party to the effect that such Affiliate Transaction is fair, from a financial standpoint, to the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries or is not less favorable to the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries than could reasonably be expected to be obtained at the time in an arm's-length transaction with a Person who was not an Affiliate.

(b) The provisions of Section 4.07(a) shall not prohibit (1) any Permitted Investment (other than a Permitted Investment described in clauses (1), (2) or (15) of the definition thereof) or Restricted Payment (but, in the case of a Restricted Payment, only to the extent (i) included in the calculation of the amount of Restricted Payments made pursuant to Section 4.04(a)(3), or (ii) made pursuant to Section 4.04(b)(4) through (15)); (2) any issuance of securities, or other payments, awards or grants in cash, securities or otherwise pursuant to, or the funding of, employment arrangements, stock options and stock ownership plans, or indemnities provided on behalf of employees or directors approved by the Board of Directors or senior management of the Company; (3) loans or advances to employees in the ordinary course of business consistent with the past practices of the Company or its Restricted Subsidiaries, but in any event not to exceed \$25,000,000 in the aggregate outstanding at any one time; (4) the payment of reasonable fees to directors of the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries who are not employees of the Company or its Restricted Subsidiaries; (5) any transaction with the Company, a Restricted Subsidiary or joint venture or similar entity which would constitute an Affiliate Transaction solely because the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary owns an equity interest in or otherwise controls such Restricted Subsidiary, joint venture or similar entity; (6) the issuance or sale of any Capital Stock (other than Disqualified Stock) of the Company; (7) transactions with customers, clients, suppliers, or purchasers or sellers of goods or services, in each case in the ordinary course of business and otherwise in compliance with the terms of this Indenture that are fair to the Company or its Restricted Subsidiaries, in the reasonable determination of the Board of Directors or the senior management of the Company, or are no less favorable to the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries than could reasonably be expected to be obtained at the time in an arm's length transaction with a Person who is not an Affiliate; (8) any agreement as in effect on the Issue Date or any renewals or extensions of any such agreement (so long as such renewals or extensions are not less favorable to the Company or the Restricted Subsidiaries in any material respect) and the transactions evidenced thereby; (9) any transaction pursuant to a Qualified Receivables Transaction; (10) any transaction between or among the Company and any Restricted Subsidiary (or entity that becomes a Restricted Subsidiary as a result of such transaction), or between or among Restricted Subsidiaries; (11) the entry into and performance obligations of the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries under the terms of any transaction arising out of, and any payments pursuant to or for purposes of funding, any agreement or instrument in effect as of or on the Issue Date, as these agreements and instruments may be amended, modified, supplemented, extended, renewed or refinanced from time to time in accordance with the other terms of this Section 4.07 or to the extent not less favorable to the Holders in any material respect: and (12) any purchases by the Company's Affiliates of Indebtedness or Disqualified Stock of the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries the majority of which Indebtedness or Disqualified Stock is purchased substantially contemporaneously by Persons who are not the Company's Affiliates; provided that such purchases by the Company's Affiliates are on the same terms as such purchases by such Persons who are not the Company's Affiliates.

SECTION 4.08. <u>Limitation on Line of Business</u>. The Company will not, and will not permit any Restricted Subsidiary, to engage in any business other than a Related Business, except to the extent as would not be material to the Company and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole.

SECTION 4.09. Change of Control. (a) Upon the occurrence of a Change of Control, each Holder shall have the right to require that the Company purchase such Holder's Securities at a purchase price in cash equal to 101% of the principal amount thereof on the date of purchase plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the date of purchase (subject to the right of Holders of record on the relevant record date to receive interest due on the relevant interest payment date).

- (b) Within 30 days following any Change of Control, the Company shall mail a notice to each Holder with a copy to the Trustee (the "Change of Control Offer") stating:
 - (1) that a Change of Control has occurred and that such Holder has the right to require the Company to purchase such Holder's Securities at a purchase price in cash equal to 101% of the principal amount thereof on the date of purchase, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the date of purchase (subject to the right of Holders of record on the relevant record date to receive interest on the relevant interest payment date);
 - (2) the circumstances and relevant facts regarding such Change of Control (including information with respect to <u>pro forma</u> historical income, cash flow and capitalization, in each case after giving effect to such Change of Control);
 - (3) the purchase date (which shall be no earlier than 30 days nor later than 60 days from the date such notice is mailed); and
 - (4) the instructions, as determined by the Company, consistent with this Section, that a Holder must follow in order to have its Securities purchased.
- (c) Holders electing to have a Security purchased will be required to surrender the Security, with an appropriate form duly completed, to the Company at the address specified in the notice at least three Business Days prior to the purchase date. Holders will be entitled to withdraw their election if the Trustee or the Company receives not later than one Business Day prior to the purchase date, a telegram, telex, facsimile transmission or letter setting forth the name of the Holder, the principal amount of the Security which was delivered for purchase by the Holder and a statement that such Holder is withdrawing his election to have such Security purchased.

- (d) On the purchase date, all Securities purchased by the Company under this Section 4.09 shall be delivered by the Company to the Trustee for cancellation, and the Company shall pay the purchase price plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the Holders entitled thereto.
- (e) Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 4.09, the Company shall not be required to make a Change of Control Offer following a Change of Control if a third party makes the Change of Control Offer in the manner, at the times and otherwise in compliance with the requirements set forth in this Section 4.09 applicable to a Change of Control Offer made by the Company and purchases all Securities validly tendered and not withdrawn under such Change of Control Offer.
- (f) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, a Change of Control Offer may be made in advance of a Change of Control, conditional upon such Change of Control, if a definitive agreement is in place for the Change of Control at the time of making of the Change of Control Offer.
- (g) The Company shall comply, to the extent applicable, with the requirements of Section 14(e) of the Exchange Act and any other securities laws or regulations in connection with the repurchase of Securities pursuant to this Section. To the extent that the provisions of any securities laws or regulations conflict with provisions of this Section, the Company shall comply with the applicable securities laws and regulations and shall not be deemed to have breached its obligations under this Section by virtue of its compliance with such securities laws or regulations.
- SECTION 4.10. <u>Limitation on Liens</u>. The Company shall not, and shall not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, directly or indirectly, Incur or permit to exist any Lien (the "Initial Lien") of any nature whatsoever on any of its properties (including Capital Stock of a Restricted Subsidiary), whether owned at the Issue Date or thereafter acquired securing any Indebtedness, other than Permitted Liens, without effectively providing that the Securities shall be secured equally and ratably with (or prior to) the obligations so secured for so long as such obligations are so secured.

Any Lien created for the benefit of the Holders of the Securities pursuant to the preceding sentence shall provide by its terms that such Lien shall be automatically and unconditionally released and discharged upon the release and discharge of the Initial Lien.

SECTION 4.11. <u>Limitation on Sale/Leaseback Transactions</u>. The Company shall not, and shall not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, enter into any Sale/Leaseback Transaction with respect to any property unless (a) the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary would be entitled to (1) Incur Indebtedness in an amount equal to the Attributable Debt with respect to such Sale/Leaseback Transaction pursuant to Section 4.03 and (2) create a Lien on such property securing such Attributable Debt without equally and ratably securing the Securities pursuant to Section 4.10, (b) the net proceeds received by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary in connection with such Sale/Leaseback Transaction are at least equal to the fair market value (as determined by the Board of Directors) of such property and (c) the Company applies the proceeds of such transaction in compliance with Section 4.06.

SECTION 4.12. Future Guarantors. The Company shall cause each Domestic Restricted Subsidiary that Incurs any Indebtedness (other than Indebtedness permitted to be Incurred pursuant to Section 4.03(b)(2), (7), (8), (9), (12), (13) or (14) to, and each Foreign Subsidiary that enters into a Guarantee of any Senior Indebtedness (other than Indebtedness permitted to be Incurred pursuant to Section 4.03(b)(2), (7), (8), (9), (12), (13) or (14) and other than a Foreign Subsidiary that Guarantees Senior Indebtedness Incurred by another Foreign Subsidiary) to, in each case, within 30 Business Days, execute and deliver to the Trustee a Guaranty Agreement pursuant to which such Restricted Subsidiary will Guarantee payment of the Securities on the same terms and conditions as those set forth in Article 10 of this Indenture.

SECTION 4.13. <u>Compliance Certificate</u>. The Company shall deliver to the Trustee within 120 days after the end of each fiscal year of the Company an Officers' Certificate stating that in the course of the performance by the signers of their duties as Officers of the Company they would normally have knowledge of any Default and whether or not the signers know of any Default that occurred during such period. If they do, the certificate shall describe the Default, its status and what action the Company is taking or proposes to take with respect thereto. The Company also shall comply with TIA § 314(a)(4).

SECTION 4.14. <u>Further Instruments and Acts.</u> Upon request of the Trustee, the Company shall execute and deliver such further instruments and do such further acts as may be reasonably necessary or proper to carry out more effectively the purpose of this Indenture.

SECTION 4.15. <u>Covenant Suspension.</u> (a) Following the first day (a) the Securities have achieved Investment Grade Status and (b) no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, then, beginning on that day and continuing until the Reversion Date (as defined below), the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries will not be subject to the following provisions of this Indenture (collectively, the "Suspended Covenants"): Section 4.03, Section 4.04, Section 4.05, Section 4.06, Section 4.07, Section 4.08, Section 4.11(a)(1), Section 4.11(c), Section 4.12 and Section 5.01(a)(3).

(b) If at any time the Securities cease to have such Investment Grade Status or if a Default or Event of Default occurs and is continuing, then the Suspended Covenants will thereafter be reinstated as if such covenants had never been suspended (the "Reversion Date") and shall be applicable pursuant to the terms of this Indenture (including in connection with performing any calculation or assessment to determine compliance with the terms of this Indenture), unless and until the Securities subsequently attain Investment Grade Status and no Default or Event of Default is in existence (in which event the Suspended Covenants shall no longer be in effect for such time that the Securities maintain an Investment Grade Status and no Default or Event of Default is in existence); provided, however, that no Default, Event of Default or breach of any kind shall be deemed to exist under this Indenture, the Securities or any Guaranty with respect

to the Suspended Covenants based on, and none of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries shall bear any liability for, any actions taken or events occurring during the Suspension Period (as defined below), or any actions taken at any time pursuant to any contractual obligation arising prior to the Reversion Date, regardless of whether such actions or events would have been permitted if the applicable Suspended Covenants remained in effect during such period. The period of time between the date of suspension of the Suspended Covenants and the Reversion Date is referred to as the "Suspension Period."

- (c) On the Reversion Date, all Indebtedness Incurred during the Suspension Period will be classified to have been Incurred pursuant to Section 4.03(a) or Section 4.03(b) (to the extent such Indebtedness would be permitted to be Incurred thereunder as of the Reversion Date and after giving effect to the Indebtedness Incurred prior to the Suspension Period and outstanding on the Reversion Date). To the extent such Indebtedness would not be so permitted to be Incurred pursuant to Section 4.03(a) or Section 4.03(b), such Indebtedness will be deemed to have been outstanding on the Issue Date, so that it is classified as permitted under Section 4.03(b)(4). Calculations made after the Reversion Date of the amount available to be made as Restricted Payments under Section 4.04 will be made as though Section 4.04 had been in effect since the Issue Date and throughout the Suspension Period. Accordingly, Restricted Payments made during the Suspension Period will reduce the amount available to be made as Restricted Payments under Section 4.04(a). During the Suspension Period, any future obligation to grant further Guarantees of the Securities shall be reinstated upon the Reversion Date.
- (d) The Company shall deliver promptly to the Trustee an Officer's Certificate notifying the Trustee of any suspension of the Suspended Covenants and any Reversion Date.

Article 5

Successor Company

SECTION 5.01. When Company May Merge or Transfer Assets. (a) The Company shall not consolidate with or merge with or into, or convey, transfer or lease, in one transaction or a series of transactions, directly or indirectly, all or substantially all its assets to, any Person, unless:

(1) the resulting, surviving or transferee Person (the "Successor Company") shall be a Person organized and existing under the laws of the United States of America, any State thereof or the District of Columbia, and the Successor Company (if not the Company) shall expressly assume, by an indenture supplemental thereto, executed and delivered to the Trustee, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, all the obligations of the Company under the Securities and this Indenture:

- (2) immediately after giving <u>pro_forma</u> effect to such transaction (and treating any Indebtedness which becomes an obligation of the Successor Company or any Subsidiary as a result of such transaction as having been Incurred by the Successor Company or such Subsidiary at the time of such transaction), no Default shall have occurred and be continuing;
- (3) immediately after giving <u>pro forma</u> effect to such transaction, (A) the Successor Company would be able to Incur an additional \$1.00 of Indebtedness pursuant to Section 4.03(a) or (B) the Consolidated Coverage Ratio for the Successor Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries would be greater than such ratio for the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries immediately prior to such transaction; and
- (4) the Company shall have delivered to the Trustee an Officers' Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel, each stating that such consolidation, merger or transfer and such supplemental indenture (if any) comply with this Indenture;

provided, however, that clauses (2) and (3) will not be applicable to (A) a Restricted Subsidiary consolidating with, merging into or transferring all or part of its properties and assets to the Company (so long as no Capital Stock of the Company is distributed to any Person) or to another Restricted Subsidiary or (B) the Company merging with an Affiliate of the Company solely for the purpose of reincorporating the Company in another jurisdiction.

For purposes of this Section 5.01, the sale, lease, conveyance, assignment, transfer or other disposition of all or substantially all of the properties and assets of one or more Subsidiaries of the Company, which properties and assets, if held by the Company instead of such Subsidiaries, would constitute all or substantially all of the properties and assets of the Company on a consolidated basis, shall be deemed to be the transfer of all or substantially all of the properties and assets of the Company.

The Successor Company shall be the successor to the Company and shall succeed to, and be substituted for, and may exercise every right and power of, the Company under this Indenture, and the predecessor Company, except in the case of a lease, shall be released from all obligations under the Indenture and to pay the principal of and interest on the Securities.

- (b) The Company shall not permit any Subsidiary Guarantor to consolidate with or merge with or into, or convey, transfer or lease, in one transaction or series of transactions, all or substantially all of its assets to any Person unless:
 - (1) the resulting, surviving or transferee Person (if not such Subsidiary) shall be a Person organized and existing under the laws of the jurisdiction in which such Subsidiary was organized or under the laws of the United States of America, or any State thereof or the District of Columbia, and such Person shall expressly assume, by a Guaranty Agreement, in a form

satisfactory to the Trustee, all the obligations of such Subsidiary, if any, under its Subsidiary Guaranty; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the foregoing shall not apply in the case of a Subsidiary Guarantor (x) that has been disposed of in its entirety to another Person (other than to the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary of the Company), whether through a merger, consolidation or sale of Capital Stock or assets or (y) that, as a result of the disposition of all or a portion of its Capital Stock, ceases to be a Subsidiary, in both cases, if in connection therewith the Company provides an Officers' Certificate to the Trustee to the effect that the Company will comply with its obligations under Section 4.06 in respect of such disposition;

- (2) immediately after giving effect to such transaction or transactions on a <u>pro forma</u> basis (and treating any Indebtedness which becomes an obligation of the resulting, surviving or transferee Person as a result of such transaction as having been issued by such Person at the time of such transaction), no Default shall have occurred and be continuing; and
- (3) the Company delivers to the Trustee an Officers' Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel, each stating that such consolidation, merger or transfer and such Guaranty Agreement, if any, complies with this Indenture;

provided, however, that clause (2) will not be applicable to (A) a Restricted Subsidiary consolidating with, merging into or transferring all or part of its properties and assets to a Subsidiary Guarantor (so long as no Capital Stock of the Subsidiary Guarantor is distributed to any Person) or to another Restricted Subsidiary or (B) a Subsidiary Guarantor merging with an Affiliate of the Company solely for the purpose of reincorporating the Subsidiary Guarantor in another jurisdiction.

- (c) Parent shall not consolidate with or merge with or into, or convey, transfer or lease, in one transaction or a series of transactions, all or substantially all of its assets to any Person unless:
 - (1) the resulting, surviving or transferee Person (if not Parent) shall be a Person organized and existing under the laws of the jurisdiction in which Parent was organized or under the laws of the United States of America, or any State thereof or the District of Columbia, and such Person shall expressly assume, by a Guaranty Agreement, in a form satisfactory to the Trustee, all the obligations of Parent, if any, under the Parent Guaranty;
 - (2) immediately after giving effect to such transaction or transactions on a <u>pro forma</u> basis (and treating any Indebtedness which becomes an obligation of the resulting, surviving or transferee Person as a result of such transaction as having been issued by such Person at the time of such transaction), no Default shall have occurred and be continuing; and

(3) the Company delivers to the Trustee an Officers' Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel, each stating that such consolidation, merger or transfer and such Guaranty Agreement, if any, complies with this Indenture;

provided, however, that clause (2) will not be applicable to (A) a Restricted Subsidiary consolidating with, merging into or transferring all or part of its properties and assets to Parent (so long as no Capital Stock of Parent is distributed to any Person) or (B) Parent merging with an Affiliate of the Company solely for the purpose of reincorporating Parent in another jurisdiction.

Article 6

Defaults and Remedies

SECTION 6.01. Events of Default. An "Event of Default" occurs if:

- (1) the Company defaults in any payment of interest on any Security when the same becomes due and payable, and such default continues for a period of 30 days;
- (2) the Company defaults in the payment of the principal of any Security when the same becomes due and payable at its Stated Maturity, upon optional redemption, upon required purchase, upon declaration of acceleration or otherwise;
 - (3) the Company or Parent fails to comply with Section 5.01;
- (4) the Company or any Subsidiary Guarantor fails to comply with any of its agreements contained in this Indenture (other than those referred to in clause (1), (2) or (3) above) and such failure continues for 60 days after the notice specified below;
- (5) Indebtedness of the Company, any Subsidiary Guarantor or any Significant Subsidiary is not paid within any applicable grace period after final maturity or is accelerated by the holders thereof because of a default and the total amount of such Indebtedness unpaid or accelerated exceeds \$125,000,000, or its foreign currency equivalent at the time;
 - (6) the Company or any Significant Subsidiary pursuant to or within the meaning of any Bankruptcy Law:
 - (A) commences a voluntary case;
 - (B) consents to the entry of an order for relief against it in an involuntary case;
 - (C) consents to the appointment of a Custodian of it or for any substantial part of its property; or

(D) makes a general assignment for the benefit of its creditors;

or takes any comparable action under any foreign laws relating to insolvency;

- (7) a court of competent jurisdiction enters an order or decree under any Bankruptcy Law that:
 - (A) is for relief against the Company or any Significant Subsidiary in an involuntary case;
 - (B) appoints a Custodian of the Company or any Significant Subsidiary or for any substantial part of its property; or
 - (C) orders the winding up or liquidation of the Company or any Significant Subsidiary;

or any similar relief is granted under any foreign laws and the order or decree remains unstayed and in effect for 60 days;

- (8) any judgment or decree for the payment of money in excess of \$125,000,000 or its foreign currency equivalent at the time (other than a judgment or decree covered by indemnities or insurance policies issued by reputable and creditworthy companies to the extent coverage has not been disclaimed) is entered against the Company or any Significant Subsidiary, remains outstanding for a period of 60 consecutive days following the entry of such judgment or decree and is not discharged, waived or stayed; or
- (9) any Guaranty ceases to be in full force and effect (other than in accordance with the terms of such Guaranty) or any Guarantor denies or disaffirms its obligations under its Guaranty.

The foregoing will constitute Events of Default whatever the reason for any such Event of Default and whether it is voluntary or involuntary or is effected by operation of law or pursuant to any judgment, decree or order of any court or any order, rule or regulation of any administrative or governmental body.

The term "Bankruptcy Law" means Title 11, <u>United States Code</u>, or any similar Federal or state law for the relief of debtors. The term "Custodian" means any receiver, trustee, assignee, liquidator, custodian or similar official under any Bankruptcy Law.

A Default under clause (4) will not constitute an Event of Default until the Trustee or the holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the outstanding Securities notify the Company of the Default and the Company does not cure such Default within the time specified after receipt of such notice. Such notice must specify the Default, demand that it be remedied and state that such notice is a "Notice of Default".

In the event of any Event of Default under clause (5), such Event of Default and all consequences thereof (excluding, however, any resulting payment default) will be annulled, waived and rescinded, automatically and without any action by the Trustee or the Securityholders, if within 20 Business Days after such Event of Default arose the Company delivers an Officers' Certificate to the Trustee stating that (x) the Indebtedness that is the basis for such Event of Default has been discharged or (y) the holders thereof have rescinded or waived the acceleration, notice or action (as the case may be) giving rise to such Event of Default or (z) the default that is the basis for such Event of Default has been cured, it being understood that in no event shall an acceleration of the principal amount of the Securities be annulled, waived or rescinded upon the happening of any such events.

In the event that the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries had previously taken an action (or failed to take an action) that was prohibited (or required) by this Indenture solely because of the continuance of a Default (the "Initial Default"), then upon the cure or waiver of the Initial Default, any Default or Event of Default arising from the taking of such action (or failure to take such action) and all consequences thereof (excluding any resulting payment Default, other than as a result of acceleration of the Securities) shall be annulled, waived and rescinded, automatically and without any action by the Trustee or the Holders.

The Company shall deliver to the Trustee, within 30 days after the occurrence thereof, written notice in the form of an Officers' Certificate of any Event of Default under clause (5) or (9) and any event which with the giving of notice or the lapse of time would become an Event of Default under clause (4) or (8), its status and what action the Company is taking or proposes to take with respect thereto.

SECTION 6.02. Acceleration. If an Event of Default (other than an Event of Default specified in Section 6.01(6) or (7) with respect to the Company) occurs and is continuing, the Trustee by notice to the Company, or the Holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the Securities by notice to the Company and the Trustee, may declare the principal of and accrued but unpaid interest on all the Securities to be due and payable. Upon such a declaration, such principal and interest shall be due and payable immediately. If an Event of Default specified in Section 6.01(6) or (7) with respect to the Company occurs, the principal of and interest on all the Securities shall ipso facto become and be immediately due and payable without any declaration or other act on the part of the Trustee or any Securityholders. The Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Securities by notice to the Trustee may rescind an acceleration and its consequences if the rescission would not conflict with any judgment or decree and if all existing Events of Default have been cured or waived except nonpayment of principal or interest that has become due solely because of acceleration. No such rescission shall affect any subsequent Default or impair any right consequent thereto.

SECTION 6.03. Other Remedies. If an Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the Trustee may pursue any available remedy to collect the payment of principal of or interest on the Securities or to enforce the performance of any provision of the Securities or this Indenture.

The Trustee may maintain a proceeding even if it does not possess any of the Securities or does not produce any of them in the proceeding. A delay or omission by the Trustee or any Securityholder in exercising any right or remedy accruing upon an Event of Default shall not impair the right or remedy or constitute a waiver of or acquiescence in the Event of Default. No remedy is exclusive of any other remedy. All available remedies are cumulative.

SECTION 6.04. Waiver of Past Defaults. The Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Securities then outstanding by notice to the Trustee may waive an existing Default or Event of Default and its consequences under this Indenture except (a) a Default in the payment of the principal of or interest on a Security, (b) a Default arising from the failure to redeem or purchase any Security when required pursuant to this Indenture or (c) a Default in respect of a provision that under Section 9.02 cannot be amended without the consent of each Securityholder affected. When a Default is waived, it is deemed cured, but no such waiver shall extend to any subsequent or other Default or impair any consequent right.

SECTION 6.05. Control by Majority. The Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Securities may direct the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee or of exercising any trust or power conferred on the Trustee. However, the Trustee may refuse to follow any direction that conflicts with law or this Indenture or, subject to Section 7.01, that the Trustee determines is unduly prejudicial to the rights of other Securityholders or would involve the Trustee in personal liability; provided, however, that the Trustee may take any other action deemed proper by the Trustee that is not inconsistent with such direction. Prior to taking any action hereunder, the Trustee shall be entitled to indemnification satisfactory to it in its sole discretion against all losses and expenses caused by taking or not taking such action.

SECTION 6.06. <u>Limitation on Suits.</u> Except to enforce the right to receive payment of principal, premium (if any) or interest when due, no Securityholder may pursue any remedy with respect to this Indenture or the Securities unless:

- (1) the Holder gives to the Trustee written notice stating that an Event of Default is continuing;
- (2) the Holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the outstanding Securities make a written request to the Trustee to pursue the remedy;
- (3) such Holder or Holders offer to the Trustee reasonable security or indemnity against any loss, liability or expense;
- (4) the Trustee does not comply with the request within 60 days after receipt of the request and the offer of security or indemnity; and
- (5) the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the outstanding Securities do not give the Trustee a direction inconsistent with the request during such 60-day period.

A Securityholder may not use this Indenture to prejudice the rights of another Securityholder or to obtain a preference or priority over another Securityholder. In the event that the Definitive Securities are not issued to any beneficial owner promptly after the Registrar has received a request from the Holder of a Global Security to issue such Definitive Securities to such beneficial owner or its nominee, the Company expressly agrees and acknowledges, with respect to the right of any Holder to pursue a remedy pursuant to this Indenture, the right of such beneficial holder of Securities to pursue such remedy with respect to the portion of the Global Security that represents such beneficial holder's Securities as if such Definitive Securities had been issued.

SECTION 6.07. <u>Rights of Holders to Receive Payment.</u> Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, the right of any Holder to receive payment of principal of and interest on the Securities held by such Holder, on or after the respective due dates expressed in the Securities, or to bring suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after such respective dates, shall not be impaired or affected without the consent of such Holder.

SECTION 6.08. <u>Collection Suit by Trustee</u>. If an Event of Default specified in Section 6.01(1) or (2) occurs and is continuing, the Trustee may recover judgment in its own name and as trustee of an express trust against the Company for the whole amount then due and owing (together with interest on any unpaid interest to the extent lawful) and the amounts provided for in Section 7.07.

SECTION 6.09. <u>Trustee May File Proofs of Claim.</u> The Trustee may file such proofs of claim and other papers or documents as may be necessary or advisable in order to have the claims of the Trustee and the Securityholders allowed in any judicial proceedings relative to the Company, its creditors or its property and, unless prohibited by law or applicable regulations, may vote on behalf of the Holders in any election of a trustee in bankruptcy or other Person performing similar functions, and any Custodian in any such judicial proceeding is hereby authorized by each Holder to make payments to the Trustee and, in the event that the Trustee shall consent to the making of such payments directly to the Holders, to pay to the Trustee any amount due it for the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee, its agents and its counsel, and any other amounts due the Trustee under Section 7.07.

SECTION 6.10. <u>Priorities.</u> If the Trustee collects any money or property pursuant to this Article 6, it shall pay out the money or property in the following order:

FIRST: to the Trustee for amounts due under Section 7.07;

SECOND: to Securityholders for amounts due and unpaid on the Securities for principal and interest, ratably, without preference or priority of any kind, according to the amounts due and payable on the Securities for principal and interest, respectively; and

THIRD: to the Company.

The Trustee may fix a record date and payment date for any payment to Securityholders pursuant to this Section. At least 15 days before such record date, the Company shall mail to each Securityholder and the Trustee a notice that states the record date, the payment date and amount to be paid.

SECTION 6.11. <u>Undertaking for Costs.</u> In any suit for the enforcement of any right or remedy under this Indenture or in any suit against the Trustee for any action taken or omitted by it as Trustee, a court in its discretion may require the filing by any party litigant in the suit of an undertaking to pay the costs of the suit, and the court in its discretion may assess reasonable costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees, against any party litigant in the suit, having due regard to the merits and good faith of the claims or defenses made by the party litigant. This Section does not apply to a suit by the Trustee, a suit by a Holder pursuant to Section 6.07 or a suit by Holders of more than 10% in aggregate principal amount of the Securities.

SECTION 6.12. Waiver of Stay or Extension Laws. The Company (to the extent it may lawfully do so) shall not at any time insist upon, or plead, or in any manner whatsoever claim or take the benefit or advantage of, any stay or extension law wherever enacted, now or at any time hereafter in force, which may affect the covenants or the performance of this Indenture; and the Company (to the extent that it may lawfully do so) hereby expressly waives all benefit or advantage of any such law, and shall not hinder, delay or impede the execution of any power herein granted to the Trustee, but shall suffer and permit the execution of every such power as though no such law had been enacted.

Article 7

Trustee

SECTION 7.01. <u>Duties of Trustee.</u> (a) If an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Trustee shall exercise the rights and powers vested in it by this Indenture and use the same degree of care and skill in their exercise as a prudent Person would exercise or use under the circumstances in the conduct of such Person's own affairs.

- (b) Except during the continuance of an Event of Default:
- (1) the Trustee undertakes to perform such duties and only such duties as are specifically set forth in this Indenture and no implied covenants or obligations shall be read into this Indenture against the Trustee; and
- (2) in the absence of bad faith on its part, the Trustee may conclusively rely, as to the truth of the statements and the correctness of the opinions expressed therein, upon certificates or opinions furnished to the Trustee and conforming to the requirements of this Indenture. However, the Trustee shall examine the certificates and opinions to determine whether or not they conform to the requirements of this Indenture.

- (c) The Trustee may not be relieved from liability for its own negligent action, its own negligent failure to act or its own wilful misconduct, except that:
 - (1) this paragraph does not limit the effect of paragraph (b) of this Section;
 - (2) the Trustee shall not be liable for any error of judgment made in good faith by a Trust Officer unless it is proved that the Trustee was negligent in ascertaining the pertinent facts; and
 - (3) the Trustee shall not be liable with respect to any action it takes or omits to take in good faith in accordance with a direction received by it pursuant to Section 6.05.
 - (d) Every provision of this Indenture that in any way relates to the Trustee is subject to paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) of this Section.
 - (e) The Trustee shall not be liable for interest on any money received by it except as the Trustee may agree in writing with the Company.
 - (f) Money held in trust by the Trustee need not be segregated from other funds except to the extent required by law.
- (g) No provision of this Indenture shall require the Trustee to expend or risk its own funds or otherwise incur financial liability in the performance of any of its duties hereunder or in the exercise of any of its rights or powers, if it shall have reasonable grounds to believe that repayment of such funds or adequate indemnity against such risk or liability is not reasonably assured to it.
- (h) Every provision of this Indenture relating to the conduct or affecting the liability of or affording protection to the Trustee shall be subject to the provisions of this Section and to the provisions of the TIA.
- SECTION 7.02. Rights of Trustee. (a) The Trustee may rely on any document believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed or presented by the proper person. The Trustee need not investigate any fact or matter stated in the document.
- (b) Before the Trustee acts or refrains from acting, it may require an Officers' Certificate or an Opinion of Counsel. The Trustee shall not be liable for any action it takes or omits to take in good faith in reliance on the Officers' Certificate or Opinion of Counsel.
 - (c) The Trustee may act through agents and shall not be responsible for the misconduct or negligence of any agent appointed with due care.
- (d) The Trustee shall not be liable for any action it takes or omits to take in good faith which it reasonably believes to be authorized or within its rights or powers; provided, however, that the Trustee's conduct does not constitute wilful misconduct or negligence.

(e) The Trustee may consult with counsel, and the advice or opinion of counsel with respect to legal matters relating to this Indenture and the Securities shall be full and complete authorization and protection from liability in respect to any action taken, omitted or suffered by it hereunder in good faith and in accordance with the advice or opinion of such counsel.

SECTION 7.03. <u>Individual Rights of Trustee</u>. The Trustee in its individual or any other capacity may become the owner or pledgee of Securities and may otherwise deal with the Company or its Affiliates with the same rights it would have if it were not Trustee. Any Paying Agent, Registrar, co-registrar or co-paying agent may do the same with like rights. However, the Trustee must comply with Sections 7.10 and 7.11.

SECTION 7.04. <u>Trustee's Disclaimer</u>. The Trustee shall not be responsible for and makes no representation as to the validity or adequacy of this Indenture or the Securities, it shall not be accountable for the Company's use of the proceeds from the Securities, and it shall not be responsible for any statement of the Company in this Indenture or in any document issued in connection with the sale of the Securities or in the Securities other than the Trustee's certificate of authentication.

SECTION 7.05. Notice of Defaults. If a Default occurs, is continuing and is known to the Trustee, the Trustee shall mail to each Securityholder notice of the Default within 90 days after it occurs. Except in the case of a Default in the payment of principal of or interest on any Security (including payments pursuant to the mandatory redemption provisions of such Security, if any), the Trustee may withhold the notice if and so long as a committee of its Trust Officers in good faith determines that withholding the notice is not opposed to the interests of the Securityholders.

SECTION 7.06. Reports by Trustee to Holders. As promptly as practicable after each July 15, beginning with the July 15 following the date of this Indenture, and in any event prior to September 15 in each year, the Trustee shall mail to each Securityholder a brief report dated as of July 15 that complies with TIA § 313(a). The Trustee also shall comply with TIA § 313(b).

A copy of each report at the time of its mailing to Securityholders shall be filed with the SEC and each stock exchange (if any) on which the Securities are listed. The Company agrees to notify promptly the Trustee whenever the Securities become listed on any stock exchange and of any delisting thereof.

SECTION 7.07. Compensation and Indemnity. The Company shall pay to the Trustee from time to time reasonable compensation for its services. The Trustee's compensation shall not be limited by any law on compensation of a trustee of an express trust. The Company shall reimburse the Trustee upon request for all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses Incurred or made by it, including costs of collection, in addition to the

compensation for its services. Such expenses shall include the reasonable compensation and expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee's agents, counsel, accountants and experts. The Company shall indemnify the Trustee against any and all loss, liability or expense (including attorneys' fees) Incurred by it in connection with the administration of this trust and the performance of its duties hereunder. The Trustee shall notify the Company promptly of any claim for which it may seek indemnity. Failure by the Trustee to so notify the Company shall not relieve the Company of its obligations hereunder. The Company shall defend the claim and the Trustee may have separate counsel and the Company shall pay the fees and expenses of such counsel. The Company need not pay for any settlement made without its consent, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed. The Company need not reimburse any expense or indemnify against any loss, liability or expense Incurred by the Trustee through the Trustee's own wilful misconduct, negligence or bad faith.

To secure the Company's payment obligations in this Section, the Trustee shall have a lien prior to the Securities on all money or property held or collected by the Trustee other than money or property held in trust to pay principal of and interest on particular Securities.

The Company's payment obligations pursuant to this Section shall survive the discharge of this Indenture. When the Trustee Incurs expenses after the occurrence of a Default specified in Section 6.01(6) or (7) with respect to the Company, the expenses are intended to constitute expenses of administration under the Bankruptcy Law.

SECTION 7.08. Replacement of Trustee. The Trustee may resign at any time by so notifying the Company in writing. The Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Securities may remove the Trustee by so notifying the Trustee and may appoint a successor Trustee. The Company shall remove the Trustee if:

- (1) the Trustee fails to comply with Section 7.10;
- (2) the Trustee is adjudged bankrupt or insolvent;
- (3) a receiver or other public officer takes charge of the Trustee or its property; or
- (4) the Trustee otherwise becomes incapable of acting.

If the Trustee resigns, is removed by the Company or by the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Securities and such Holders do not reasonably promptly appoint a successor Trustee, or if a vacancy exists in the office of Trustee for any reason (the Trustee in such event being referred to herein as the retiring Trustee), the Company shall promptly appoint a successor Trustee.

A successor Trustee shall deliver a written acceptance of its appointment to the retiring Trustee and to the Company. Thereupon the resignation or removal of the retiring Trustee shall become effective, and the successor Trustee shall have all the rights, powers and duties of the Trustee under this Indenture. The successor Trustee shall mail a notice of its succession to Securityholders. The retiring Trustee shall promptly transfer all property held by it as Trustee to the successor Trustee, subject to the lien provided for in Section 7.07.

If a successor Trustee does not take office within 60 days after the retiring Trustee resigns or is removed, the retiring Trustee or the Holders of 10% in principal amount of the Securities may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee.

If the Trustee fails to comply with Section 7.10, any Securityholder may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the removal of the Trustee and the appointment of a successor Trustee.

Notwithstanding the replacement of the Trustee pursuant to this Section, the Company's obligations under Section 7.07 shall continue for the benefit of the retiring Trustee.

SECTION 7.09. <u>Successor Trustee by Merger.</u> If the Trustee consolidates with, merges or converts into, or transfers all or substantially all its corporate trust business or assets to, another corporation or banking association, the resulting, surviving or transferee corporation, without any further act, shall be the successor Trustee.

In case at the time such successor or successors by merger, conversion or consolidation to the Trustee shall succeed to the trusts created by this Indenture any of the Securities shall have been authenticated but not delivered, any such successor to the Trustee may adopt the certificate of authentication of any predecessor trustee, and deliver such Securities so authenticated; and in case at that time any of the Securities shall not have been authenticated, any successor to the Trustee may authenticate such Securities either in the name of any predecessor hereunder or in the name of the successor to the Trustee; and in all such cases such certificates shall have the full force which it is anywhere in the Securities or in this Indenture provided that the certificates of the Trustee shall have.

SECTION 7.10. <u>Eligibility: Disqualification.</u> The Trustee shall at all times satisfy the requirements of TIA § 310(a). The Trustee shall have a combined capital and surplus of at least \$50,000,000 as set forth in its most recent published annual report of condition. The Trustee shall comply with TIA § 310(b); <u>provided, however</u>, that there shall be excluded from the operation of TIA § 310(b)(1) any indenture or indentures under which other securities or certificates of interest or participation in other securities of the Company are outstanding if the requirements for such exclusion set forth in TIA § 310(b)(1) are met.

SECTION 7.11. Preferential Collection of Claims Against Company. The Trustee shall comply with TIA § 311(a), excluding any creditor relationship listed in TIA § 311(b). A Trustee who has resigned or been removed shall be subject to TIA § 311(a) to the extent indicated.

Article 8

Discharge of Indenture; Defeasance

SECTION 8.01. Discharge of Liability on Securities; Defeasance. (a) When (1) the Company delivers to the Trustee all outstanding Securities (other than Securities replaced pursuant to Section 2.07) for cancellation or (2) all outstanding Securities have become due and payable, whether at maturity or on a redemption date as a result of the mailing of an unconditional notice of redemption pursuant to Article 3 hereof and, in the case of clause (2), the Company irrevocably deposits with the Trustee funds sufficient to pay at maturity or upon redemption all outstanding Securities, including interest thereon to maturity or such redemption date (other than Securities replaced pursuant to Section 2.07), and if in either case the Company pays all other sums payable hereunder by the Company, then this Indenture shall, subject to Section 8.01(c), cease to be of further effect. The Trustee shall acknowledge satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture on demand of the Company accompanied by an Officers' Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel and at the cost and expense of the Company.

(b) Subject to Sections 8.01(c) and 8.02, the Company at any time may terminate (1) all its obligations under the Securities and this Indenture ("legal defeasance option") or (2) its obligations under Sections 4.02, 4.03, 4.04, 4.05, 4.06, 4.07, 4.08, 4.09, 4.10, 4.11 and 4.12 and the operation of Sections 6.01(5), 6.01(6), 6.01(7), 6.01(8) and 6.01(9) (but, in the case of Sections 6.01(6) and (7), with respect only to Significant Subsidiaries and Subsidiary Guarantors) and the limitations contained in Section 5.01(a)(3) ("covenant defeasance option"). The Company may exercise its legal defeasance option notwithstanding its prior exercise of its covenant defeasance option.

If the Company exercises its legal defeasance option, payment of the Securities may not be accelerated because of an Event of Default with respect thereto. If the Company exercises its covenant defeasance option, payment of the Securities may not be accelerated because of an Event of Default specified in Sections 6.01(4), 6.01(5), 6.01(6) or 6.01(7) (but, in the case of Sections 6.01(4), (5) and (6), with respect only to Significant Subsidiaries and Subsidiary Guarantors) or because of the failure of the Company to comply with Section 5.01(a)(3). If the Company exercises its legal defeasance option or its covenant defeasance option, each Guarantor, if any, shall be released from all its obligations with respect to its Guaranty.

Upon satisfaction of the conditions set forth herein and upon request of the Company, the Trustee shall acknowledge in writing the discharge of those obligations that the Company terminates.

(c) Notwithstanding clauses (a) and (b) above, the Company's obligations in Sections 2.03, 2.04, 2.05, 2.06, 2.07, 2.08, 7.07 and 7.08 and in this Article 8 shall survive until the Securities have been paid in full. Thereafter, the Company's obligations in Sections 7.07, 8.04 and 8.05 shall survive.

SECTION 8.02. <u>Conditions to Defeasance</u>. The Company shall be entitled to exercise its legal defeasance option or its covenant defeasance option only if:

- (1) the Company irrevocably deposits in trust with the Trustee money or U.S. Government Obligations for the payment of principal of and interest on the Securities to maturity or redemption, as the case may be;
- (2) the Company delivers to the Trustee a certificate from a nationally recognized firm of independent accountants expressing their opinion that the payments of principal and interest when due and without reinvestment on the deposited U.S. Government Obligations plus any deposited money without investment will provide cash at such times and in such amounts as will be sufficient to pay principal and interest when due on all the Securities to maturity or redemption, as the case may be;
- (3) 123 days pass after the deposit is made and during the 123-day period no Default specified in Section 6.01(6) or (7) with respect to the Company occurs which is continuing at the end of the period;
 - (4) the deposit does not constitute a default under any other agreement binding on the Company;
- (5) the Company delivers to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that the trust resulting from the deposit does not constitute, nor is qualified as, a regulated investment company under the Investment Company Act of 1940;
- (6) in the case of the legal defeasance option, the Company shall have delivered to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel stating that (A) the Company has received from, or there has been published by, the Internal Revenue Service a ruling, or (B) since the date of this Indenture there has been a change in the applicable Federal income tax law, in either case to the effect that, and based thereon such Opinion of Counsel shall confirm that, the Securityholders will not recognize income, gain or loss for Federal income tax purposes as a result of such defeasance and will be subject to Federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such defeasance had not occurred;
- (7) in the case of the covenant defeasance option, the Company shall have delivered to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that the Securityholders will not recognize income, gain or loss for Federal income tax purposes as a result of such covenant defeasance and will be subject to Federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such covenant defeasance had not occurred;
- (8) the Company delivers to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel in the jurisdiction of organization of the Company (if other than the United States) to the effect that Holders will not recognize income, gain or loss for income tax purposes of such jurisdiction as a result of such deposit and defeasance, and will be subject to income tax of such jurisdiction on the same amounts, and in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such deposit and defeasance, had not occurred; and

(9) the Company delivers to the Trustee an Officers' Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel, each stating that all conditions precedent to the defeasance and discharge of the Securities as contemplated by this Article 8 have been complied with.

Before or after a deposit, the Company may make arrangements satisfactory to the Trustee for the redemption of Securities at a future date in accordance with Article 3.

SECTION 8.03. <u>Application of Trust Money.</u> The Trustee shall hold in trust money or U.S. Government Obligations deposited with it pursuant to this Article 8. It shall apply the deposited money and the money from U.S. Government Obligations through the Paying Agent and in accordance with this Indenture to the payment of principal of and interest on the Securities.

SECTION 8.04. Repayment to Company. The Trustee and the Paying Agent shall promptly turn over to the Company upon request any excess money or Securities held by them at any time.

Subject to any applicable abandoned property law, the Trustee and the Paying Agent shall pay to the Company upon request any money held by them for the payment of principal or interest that remains unclaimed for two years, and, thereafter, Securityholders entitled to the money must look to the Company for payment as general creditors.

SECTION 8.05. <u>Indemnity for Government Obligations</u>. The Company shall pay and shall indemnify the Trustee against any tax, fee or other charge imposed on or assessed against deposited U.S. Government Obligations or the principal and interest received on such U.S. Government Obligations.

SECTION 8.06. Reinstatement. If the Trustee or Paying Agent is unable to apply any money or U.S. Government Obligations in accordance with this Article 8 by reason of any legal proceeding or by reason of any order or judgment of any court or governmental authority enjoining, restraining or otherwise prohibiting such application, the Company's and each Guarantor's obligations under this Indenture, each Guaranty and the Securities shall be revived and reinstated as though no deposit had occurred pursuant to this Article 8 until such time as the Trustee or Paying Agent is permitted to apply all such money or U.S. Government Obligations in accordance with this Article 8; provided, however, that, if the Company has made any payment of interest on or principal of any Securities because of the reinstatement of its obligations, the Company shall be subrogated to the rights of the Holders of such Securities to receive such payment from the money or U.S. Government Obligations held by the Trustee or Paying Agent.

Article 9

Amendments

SECTION 9.01. Without Consent of Holders. The Company, the Guarantors and the Trustee may amend this Indenture or the Securities without notice to or consent of any Securityholder:

- (1) to cure any ambiguity, omission, mistake, defect or inconsistency;
- (2) to provide for the assumption by a successor corporation of the obligations of the Company or any Guarantor pursuant to Article 5;
- (3) to provide for uncertificated Securities in addition to or in place of certificated Securities; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the uncertificated Securities are issued in registered form for purposes of Section 163(f) of the Code, or in a manner such that the uncertificated Securities are described in Section 163(f)(2)(B) of the Code;
 - (4) to add Guarantees with respect to the Securities, including any Subsidiary Guaranties, or to secure the Securities;
- (5) to add to the covenants of the Company or any Guarantor for the benefit of the Holders or to surrender any right or power herein conferred upon the Company or any Subsidiary Guarantor;
 - (6) to make any change that does not adversely affect the rights of any holder of the Securities;
 - (7) to comply with any requirement of the SEC in connection with the qualification of this Indenture under the TIA;
- (8) to make changes of a technical or conforming nature that are necessary (as determined in good faith by the Company) for the proper issuance of Additional Securities otherwise permitted to be issued under this Indenture;
- (9) to evidence and provide for the acceptance and appointment under this Indenture of a successor Trustee pursuant to the requirements hereof or to provide for the accession by such successor Trustee to the Securities, the Guaranties and this Indenture; or
- (10) to conform the text of this Indenture, the Securities and the Subsidiary Guaranties to any provision of the "Description of the Notes" contained in the Prospectus Supplement to the extent that such provision was intended to be a verbatim recitation of a provision of this Indenture, the Securities and the Guaranties.

After an amendment under this Section becomes effective, the Company shall mail to Securityholders a notice briefly describing such amendment. The failure to give such notice to all Securityholders, or any defect therein, shall not impair or affect the validity of an amendment under this Section.

SECTION 9.02. With Consent of Holders. The Company, the Guarantors and the Trustee may amend this Indenture or the Securities with the consent of the Holders of at least a majority in principal amount of the Securities then outstanding (including consents obtained in connection with a tender offer or exchange for the Securities) and any past default or compliance with any provisions may also be waived with the consent of the Holders of at least a majority in principal amount of the Securities then outstanding. However, without the consent of each Securityholder affected thereby, an amendment or waiver may not:

- (1) reduce the amount of Securities whose Holders must consent to an amendment;
- (2) reduce the rate of or extend the time for payment of interest on any Security;
- (3) reduce the principal of or change the Stated Maturity of any Security;
- (4) change the provisions applicable to the redemption of any Security contained in Article 3 hereto or paragraph 5 of the Securities;
- (5) make any Security payable in money other than that stated in the Security;
- (6) make any changes in the ranking or priority of any Security that would adversely affect the Securityholders;
- (7) make any change in Section 6.04 or 6.07 or the second sentence of this Section;
- (8) make any change in the ranking or priority of any Securities that would adversely affect the Securityholders; or
- (9) make any change in, or release other than in accordance with this Indenture, any Guaranty that would adversely affect the Securityholders.

It shall not be necessary for the consent of the Holders under this Section to approve the particular form of any proposed amendment, but it shall be sufficient if such consent approves the substance thereof.

After an amendment under this Section becomes effective, the Company shall mail to Securityholders a notice briefly describing such amendment. The failure to give such notice to all Securityholders, or any defect therein, shall not impair or affect the validity of an amendment under this Section.

SECTION 9.03. Compliance with Trust Indenture Act. Every amendment to this Indenture or the Securities shall comply with the TIA as then in effect.

SECTION 9.04. Revocation and Effect of Consents and Waivers. A consent to an amendment or a waiver by a Holder of a Security shall bind the Holder and every subsequent Holder of that Security or portion of the Security that evidences the same debt as the consenting Holder's Security, even if notation of the consent or waiver is not made on the Security. However, any such Holder or subsequent Holder may revoke the consent or waiver as to such Holder's Security or portion of the Security if the Trustee receives the notice of revocation before the date the amendment or waiver becomes effective. After an amendment or waiver becomes effective, it shall bind every Securityholder. An amendment or waiver becomes effective upon the execution of such amendment or waiver by the Trustee.

The Company may, but shall not be obligated to, fix a record date for the purpose of determining the Securityholders entitled to give their consent or take any other action described above or required or permitted to be taken pursuant to this Indenture. If a record date is fixed, then notwithstanding the immediately preceding paragraph, those Persons who were Securityholders at such record date (or their duly designated proxies), and only those Persons, shall be entitled to give such consent or to revoke any consent previously given or to take any such action, whether or not such Persons continue to be Holders after such record date. No such consent shall be valid or effective for more than 120 days after such record date.

SECTION 9.05. Notation on or Exchange of Securities. If an amendment changes the terms of a Security, the Trustee may require the Holder of the Security to deliver it to the Trustee. The Trustee may place an appropriate notation on the Security regarding the changed terms and return it to the Holder. Alternatively, if the Company or the Trustee so determines, the Company in exchange for the Security shall issue and the Trustee shall authenticate a new Security that reflects the changed terms. Failure to make the appropriate notation or to issue a new Security shall not affect the validity of such amendment.

SECTION 9.06. <u>Trustee to Sign Amendments</u>. The Trustee shall sign any amendment authorized pursuant to this Article 9 if the amendment does not adversely affect the rights, duties, liabilities or immunities of the Trustee. If it does, the Trustee may, but need not, sign it. In signing such amendment the Trustee shall be entitled to receive indemnity reasonably satisfactory to it and (subject to Section 7.01) shall be fully protected in relying upon an Officers' Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel stating that such amendment is authorized or permitted by this Indenture.

SECTION 9.07. <u>Payment for Consent.</u> Neither the Company nor any Affiliate of the Company shall, directly or indirectly, pay or cause to be paid any consideration, whether by way of interest, fee or otherwise, to any Holder for or as an

inducement to any consent, waiver or amendment of any of the terms or provisions of this Indenture or the Securities unless such consideration is offered to all Holders and is paid to all Holders that so consent, waive or agree to amend in the time frame set forth in solicitation documents relating to such consent, waiver or agreement.

Article 10

Guaranties

SECTION 10.01. <u>Guaranties</u>. Each Guarantor hereby unconditionally and irrevocably guarantees, jointly and severally, to each Holder and to the Trustee and its successors and assigns (a) the full and punctual payment of principal of and interest on the Securities when due, whether at maturity, by acceleration, by redemption or otherwise, and all other monetary obligations of the Company under this Indenture and the Securities and (b) the full and punctual performance within applicable grace periods of all other obligations of the Company under this Indenture and the Securities (all the foregoing being hereinafter collectively called the "Guaranteed Obligations"). Each Guarantor further agrees that the Guaranteed Obligations may be extended or renewed, in whole or in part, without notice or further assent from such Guarantor and that such Guarantor will remain bound under this Article 10 notwithstanding any extension or renewal of any Obligation.

Each Guarantor waives presentation to, demand of, payment from and protest to the Company of any of the Guaranteed Obligations and also waives notice of protest for nonpayment. Each Guarantor waives notice of any default under the Securities or the Guaranteed Obligations. The obligations of each Guarantor hereunder shall not be affected by (1) the failure of any Holder or the Trustee to assert any claim or demand or to enforce any right or remedy against the Company or any other Person (including any Subsidiary Guarantor) under this Indenture, the Securities or any other agreement or otherwise; (2) any extension or renewal of any thereof; (3) any rescission, waiver, amendment or modification of any of the terms or provisions of this Indenture, the Securities or any other agreement; (4) the release of any security held by any Holder or the Trustee for the Guaranteed Obligations or any of them; (5) the failure of any Holder or the Trustee to exercise any right or remedy against any other Guaranter of the Guaranteed Obligations; or (6) except as set forth in Section 10.06, any change in the ownership of such Guarantor.

Each Guarantor further agrees that its Guaranty herein constitutes a guarantee of payment, performance and compliance when due (and not a guarantee of collection) and waives any right to require that any resort be had by any Holder or the Trustee to any security held for payment of the Guaranteed Obligations.

Except as expressly set forth in Sections 8.01(b), 10.02 and 10.06, the obligations of each Guarantor hereunder shall not be subject to any reduction, limitation, impairment or termination for any reason, including any claim of waiver, release, surrender, alteration or compromise, and shall not be subject to any defense of setoff, counterclaim, recoupment or termination whatsoever or by reason of the invalidity,

illegality or unenforceability of the Guaranteed Obligations or otherwise. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the obligations of each Guarantor herein shall not be discharged or impaired or otherwise affected by the failure of any Holder or the Trustee to assert any claim or demand or to enforce any remedy under this Indenture, the Securities or any other agreement, by any waiver or modification of any thereof, by any default, failure or delay, wilful or otherwise, in the performance of the obligations, or by any other act or thing or omission or delay to do any other act or thing which may or might in any manner or to any extent vary the risk of such Guarantor or would otherwise operate as a discharge of such Guarantor as a matter of law or equity.

Each Guarantor further agrees that its Guarantee herein shall continue to be effective or be reinstated, as the case may be, if at any time payment, or any part thereof, of principal of or interest on any Obligation is rescinded or must otherwise be restored by any Holder or the Trustee upon the bankruptcy or reorganization of the Company or otherwise.

In furtherance of the foregoing and not in limitation of any other right which any Holder or the Trustee has at law or in equity against any Guarantor by virtue hereof, upon the failure of the Company to pay the principal of or interest on any Obligation when and as the same shall become due, whether at maturity, by acceleration, by redemption or otherwise, or to perform or comply with any other Obligation, each Guarantor hereby promises to and shall, upon receipt of written demand by the Trustee, forthwith pay, or cause to be paid, in cash, to the Holders or the Trustee an amount equal to the sum of (A) the unpaid amount of such Guaranteed Obligations, (B) accrued and unpaid interest on such Guaranteed Obligations (but only to the extent not prohibited by law) and (C) all other monetary Guaranteed Obligations of the Company to the Holders and the Trustee.

Each Guarantor agrees that it shall not be entitled to any right of subrogation in respect of any Obligations guaranteed hereby until payment in full of all such Obligations. Each Guarantor further agrees that, as between it, on the one hand, and the Holders and the Trustee, on the other hand, (i) the maturity of the Guaranteed Obligations hereby may be accelerated as provided in Article 6 for the purposes of such Guarantor's Guaranty herein, notwithstanding any stay, injunction or other prohibition preventing such acceleration in respect of the Guaranteed Obligations guaranteed hereby, and (ii) in the event of any declaration of acceleration of such Guaranteed Obligations as provided in Article 6, such Guaranteed Obligations (whether or not due and payable) shall forthwith become due and payable by such Guarantor for the purposes of this Section.

Each Guarantor also agrees to pay any and all costs and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees) Incurred by the Trustee or any Holder in enforcing any rights under this Section.

SECTION 10.02. <u>Limitation on Liability</u>. Any term or provision of this Indenture to the contrary notwithstanding, the maximum aggregate amount of the Guaranteed Obligations guaranteed hereunder by any Guarantor shall not exceed the

maximum amount that can be hereby guaranteed without rendering this Indenture, as it relates to such Guarantor, voidable under applicable law relating to fraudulent conveyance or fraudulent transfer or similar laws affecting the rights of creditors generally.

SECTION 10.03. <u>Successors and Assigns</u>. This Article 10 shall be binding upon each Guarantor and its successors and assigns and shall inure to the benefit of the successors and assigns of the Trustee and the Holders and, in the event of any transfer or assignment of rights by any Holder or the Trustee, the rights and privileges conferred upon that party in this Indenture and in the Securities shall automatically extend to and be vested in such transferee or assignee, all subject to the terms and conditions of this Indenture.

SECTION 10.04. No Waiver. Neither a failure nor a delay on the part of either the Trustee or the Holders in exercising any right, power or privilege under this Article 10 shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall a single or partial exercise thereof preclude any other or further exercise of any right, power or privilege. The rights, remedies and benefits of the Trustee and the Holders herein expressly specified are cumulative and not exclusive of any other rights, remedies or benefits which either may have under this Article 10 at law, in equity, by statute or otherwise.

SECTION 10.05. <u>Modification</u>. No modification, amendment or waiver of any provision of this Article 10, nor the consent to any departure by any Guarantor therefrom, shall in any event be effective unless the same shall be in writing and signed by the Trustee, and then such waiver or consent shall be effective only in the specific instance and for the purpose for which given. No notice to or demand on any Guarantor in any case shall entitle such Guarantor to any other or further notice or demand in the same, similar or other circumstances.

SECTION 10.06. <u>Release of Guarantor</u>. A Subsidiary Guarantor will be released (and, in the case of clause (5) and (7), Parent will be released) from its obligations under this Article 10 (other than any obligation that may have arisen under Section 10.07):

- (1) upon the sale (including any sale pursuant to any foreclosure of any pledge or security interest, or other exercise of remedies by a holder of Indebtedness of the Company or of such Guarantor) or other disposition (including by way of consolidation or merger) of a Subsidiary Guarantor, including the sale or disposition of Capital Stock of a Subsidiary Guarantor, following which such Subsidiary Guarantor is no longer a Subsidiary,
 - (2) upon the sale or disposition of all or substantially all the assets of such Subsidiary Guarantor,
 - (3) upon the designation of such Subsidiary Guarantor as an Unrestricted Subsidiary in accordance with the terms of this Indenture,

- (4) at such time as such Subsidiary Guarantor does not have any Indebtedness outstanding that would have required such Subsidiary Guarantor to enter into a Guaranty Agreement pursuant to Section 4.12 and the Company provides an Officers' Certificate to the Trustee certifying that no such Indebtedness is outstanding and that the Company elects to have such Guarantor released from this Article 10,
 - (5) upon defeasance of the Securities pursuant to Article 8,
- (6) upon the release or discharge of the guarantee by such Subsidiary Guarantor of any Credit Agreement, except a release or discharge by or as a result of payment under such guarantee; provided that, immediately following the release of such Subsidiary Guaranty (and after giving effect to any substantially contemporaneous release or discharge of guarantees by such Subsidiary Guarantor of other Indebtedness), the relevant Subsidiary Guarantor would meet the requirements for release under clause (4) of this Section 10.06, or
 - (7) upon the full satisfaction of the Company's obligations under this Indenture;

provided, however, that in the case of clauses (1) and (2) above, (i) such sale or other disposition is made to a Person other than the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary of the Company, (ii) such sale or disposition is otherwise permitted by this Indenture and (iii) the Company provides an Officers' Certificate to the Trustee to the effect that the Company will comply with its obligations under Section 4.06.

At the request of the Company, the Trustee shall execute and deliver an appropriate instrument evidencing such release.

SECTION 10.07. <u>Contribution</u>. Each Subsidiary Guarantor that makes a payment under its Subsidiary Guaranty shall be entitled upon payment in full of all Guaranteed Obligations under this Indenture to a contribution from each other Subsidiary Guarantor in an amount equal to such other Subsidiary Guarantor's <u>pro</u> <u>rata</u> portion of such payment based on the respective net assets of all the Subsidiary Guarantors at the time of such payment determined in accordance with GAAP.

Article 11

Miscellaneous

SECTION 11.01. <u>Trust Indenture Act Controls.</u> If any provision of this Indenture limits, qualifies or conflicts with another provision which is required to be included in this Indenture by the TIA, the required provision shall control.

SECTION 11.02. <u>Notices.</u> Any notice or communication shall be in writing and delivered in person or mailed by first-class mail addressed as follows:

if to the Company or any Guarantor:

CHS/Community Health Systems, Inc. 4000 Meridian Boulevard Franklin, TN 37067

Attention of General Counsel; and

if to the Trustee:

Regions Bank Corporate Trust Services 315 Deaderick Street, 4th Floor Nashville, TN 37238

The Company, any Guarantor or the Trustee by notice to the other may designate additional or different addresses for subsequent notices or communications.

Any notice or communication mailed to a Securityholder shall be mailed to the Securityholder at the Securityholder's address as it appears on the registration books of the Registrar and shall be sufficiently given if so mailed within the time prescribed.

Failure to mail a notice or communication to a Securityholder or any defect in it shall not affect its sufficiency with respect to other Securityholders. If a notice or communication is mailed in the manner provided above, it is duly given, whether or not the addressee receives it.

SECTION 11.03. Communication by Holders with Other Holders. Securityholders may communicate pursuant to TIA § 312(b) with other Securityholders with respect to their rights under this Indenture or the Securities. The Company, any Guarantor, the Trustee, the Registrar and anyone else shall have the protection of TIA § 312(c).

SECTION 11.04. <u>Certificate and Opinion as to Conditions Precedent.</u> Upon any request or application by the Company to the Trustee to take or refrain from taking any action under this Indenture, the Company shall furnish to the Trustee:

- (1) an Officers' Certificate in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee stating that, in the opinion of the signers, all conditions precedent, if any, provided for in this Indenture relating to the proposed action have been complied with; and
- (2) an Opinion of Counsel in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee stating that, in the opinion of such counsel, all such conditions precedent have been complied with.

SECTION 11.05. <u>Statements Required in Certificate or Opinion</u>. Each certificate or opinion with respect to compliance with a covenant or condition provided for in this Indenture shall include:

- (1) a statement that the individual making such certificate or opinion has read such covenant or condition;
- (2) a brief statement as to the nature and scope of the examination or investigation upon which the statements or opinions contained in such certificate or opinion are based;
- (3) a statement that, in the opinion of such individual, he has made such examination or investigation as is necessary to enable him to express an informed opinion as to whether or not such covenant or condition has been complied with; and
 - (4) a statement as to whether or not, in the opinion of such individual, such covenant or condition has been complied with.

SECTION 11.06. When Securities Disregarded. In determining whether the Holders of the required principal amount of Securities have concurred in any direction, waiver or consent, Securities owned by the Company or by any Person directly or indirectly controlling or controlled by or under direct or indirect common control with the Company shall be disregarded and deemed not to be outstanding, except that, for the purpose of determining whether the Trustee shall be protected in relying on any such direction, waiver or consent, only Securities which the Trustee knows are so owned shall be so disregarded. Also, subject to the foregoing, only Securities outstanding at the time shall be considered in any such determination.

SECTION 11.07. <u>Rules by Trustee</u>, <u>Paying Agent and Registrar</u>. The Trustee may make reasonable rules for action by or at a meeting of Securityholders. The Registrar and the Paying Agent may make reasonable rules for their functions.

SECTION 11.08. <u>Legal Holidays</u>. If a payment date is a Legal Holiday, payment shall be made on the next succeeding day that is not a Legal Holiday, and no interest shall accrue for the intervening period. If a regular record date is a Legal Holiday, the record date shall not be affected.

SECTION 11.09. Governing Law. This Indenture and the Securities shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York.

SECTION 11.10. No Recourse Against Others. A director, officer, employee or stockholder, as such, of the Company or any Guarantor shall not have any liability for any obligations of the Company under the Securities or this Indenture or of such Guarantor under its Guaranty or this Indenture or for any claim based on, in respect of or by reason of such obligations or their creation (other than pursuant to any Guaranty). By accepting a Security, each Securityholder shall waive and release all such liability. The waiver and release shall be part of the consideration for the issue of the Securities.

SECTION 11.11. <u>Successors.</u> All agreements of the Company in this Indenture and the Securities shall bind its successors. All agreements of the Trustee in this Indenture shall bind its successors.

SECTION 11.12. Multiple Originals. The parties may sign any number of copies of this Indenture. Each signed copy shall be an original, but all of them together represent the same agreement. One signed copy is enough to prove this Indenture.

SECTION 11.13. <u>Table of Contents</u>; <u>Headings</u>. The table of contents, cross-reference sheet and headings of the Articles and Sections of this Indenture have been inserted for convenience of reference only, are not intended to be considered a part hereof and shall not modify or restrict any of the terms or provisions hereof.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this Indenture to be duly executed as of the date first written above.

CHS/COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC.,

 $\begin{array}{cc} By & \underline{/s/~W.~Larry~Cash} \\ Name: & \underline{/s/~W.~Larry~Cash} \end{array}$

Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

ABILENE HOSPITAL, LLC ABILENE MERGER, LLC ANNA HOSPITAL CORPORATION BERWICK HOSPITAL COMPANY, LLC BIG BEND HOSPITAL CORPORATION BIG SPRING HOSPITAL CORPORATION BIRMINGHAM HOLDINGS II, LLC BIRMINGHAM HOLDINGS, LLC BLUEFIELD HOLDINGS, LLC BLUEFIELD HOSPITAL COMPANY, LLC

BLUFFTON HEALTH SYSTEM, LLC BROWNSVILLE HOSPITAL CORPORATION

BROWNWOOD HOSPITAL, L.P.

BROWNWOOD MEDICAL CENTER, LLC BULLHEAD CITY HOSPITAL CORPORATION

BULLHEAD CITY HOSPITAL INVESTMENT CORPORATION

CARLSBAD MEDICAL CENTER, LLC CENTRE HOSPITAL CORPORATION CHHS HOLDINGS, LLC CHS KENTUCKY HOLDINGS, LLC

CHS PENNSYLVANIA HOLDINGS, LLC CHS VIRGINIA HOLDINGS, LLC CHS WASHINGTON HOLDINGS, LLC CLARKSVILLE HOLDINGS, LLC CLEVELAND HOSPITAL CORPORATION

> /s/ Rachel A. Seifert Name: /s/ Rachel A. Seifert Title: Executive Vice President

> > Acting on behalf of each of the Guarantors set forth above

CLEVELAND TENNESSEE HOSPITAL COMPANY, LLC

CLINTON HOSPITAL CORPORATION COATESVILLE HOSPITAL CORPORATION COLLEGE STATION HOSPITAL, L.P.

COLLEGE STATION MEDICAL CENTER, LLC

COLLEGE STATION MERGER, LLC

COMMUNITY GP CORP.

COMMUNITY HEALTH INVESTMENT COMPANY, LLC

COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC.

COMMUNITY LP CORP. CP HOSPITAL GP, LLC

CPLP, LLC

CRESTWOOD HOSPITAL, LLC CRESTWOOD HOSPITAL, LP, LLC

CSMC, LLC

CSRA HOLDINGS, LLC DEACONESS HOLDINGS, LLC

DEACONESS HOSPITAL HOLDINGS, LLC DEMING HOSPITAL CORPORATION DESERT HOSPITAL HOLDINGS, LLC

DETAR HOSPITAL, LLC DHFW HOLDINGS, LLC

DHSC, LLC

DUKES HEALTH SYSTEM, LLC DYERSBURG HOSPITAL CORPORATION EMPORIA HOSPITAL CORPORATION EVANSTON HOSPITAL CORPORATION FALLBROOK HOSPITAL CORPORATION FOLEY HOSPITAL CORPORATION

FORREST CITY ARKANSAS HOSPITAL COMPANY, LLC

FORREST CITY HOSPITAL CORPORATION
FORT PAYNE HOSPITAL CORPORATION
FRANKFORT HEALTH PARTNER, INC.
FRANKLIN HOSPITAL CORPORATION
GADSDEN REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER, LLC
GALESBURG HOSPITAL CORPORATION

GALESBURG HOSPITAL CORPORATION GRANBURY HOSPITAL CORPORATION GRANITE CITY HOSPITAL CORPORATION

GRANITE CITY ILLINOIS HOSPITAL COMPANY, LLC

GREENVILLE HOSPITAL CORPORATION

GRMC HOLDINGS, LLC

HALLMARK HEALTHCARE COMPANY, LLC

HOBBS MEDCO, LLC
HOSPITAL OF BARSTOW, INC.
HOSPITAL OF FULTON, INC.
HOSPITAL OF LOUISA, INC.
HOSPITAL OF MORRISTOWN, INC.
JACKSON HOSPITAL CORPORATION (KY)

JACKSON HOSPITAL CORPORATION (TN)
JOURDANTON HOSPITAL CORPORATION

By: /s/ Rachel A. Seifert

Name: /s/ Rachel A. Seifert Title: Executive Vice President KAY COUNTY HOSPITAL CORPORATION

KAY COUNTY OKLAHOMA HOSPITAL COMPANY, LLC

KIRKSVILLE HOSPITAL COMPANY, LLC LAKEWAY HOSPITAL CORPORATION LANCASTER HOSPITAL CORPORATION LAS CRUCES MEDICAL CENTER, LLC LEA REGIONAL HOSPITAL, LLC LEXINGTON HOSPITAL CORPORATION

LONGVIEW MERGER, LLC

LRH, LLC

LUTHERAN HEALTH NETWORK OF INDIANA, LLC

MARION HOSPITAL CORPORATION MARTIN HOSPITAL CORPORATION

MASSILLON COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEM LLC

MASSILLON HEALTH SYSTEM LLC MASSILLON HOLDINGS, LLC

MCKENZIE TENNESSEE HOSPITAL COMPANY, LLC

MCNAIRY HOSPITAL CORPORATION

MCSA, L.L.C.

MEDICAL CENTER OF BROWNWOOD, LLC

MERGER LEGACY HOLDINGS, LLC

MMC OF NEVADA, LLC

MOBERLY HOSPITAL COMPANY, LLC

MWMC HOLDINGS, LLC

NANTICOKE HOSPITAL COMPANY, LLC

Acting on behalf of each of the Guarantors set forth above

NATIONAL HEALTHCARE OF LEESVILLE, INC. NATIONAL HEALTHCARE OF MT. VERNON, INC. NATIONAL HEALTHCARE OF NEWPORT, INC. NAVARRO HOSPITAL, L.P.

NAVARRO REGIONAL, LLC

NC-DSH, LLC

NORTHAMPTON HOSPITAL COMPANY, LLC

NORTHWEST HOSPITAL, LLC

NOV HOLDINGS, LLC

NRH, LLC

OAK HILL HOSPITAL CORPORATION

ORO VALLEY HOSPITAL, LLC

 ${\tt PALMER-WASILLA\; HEALTH\; SYSTEM, LLC}$

PAYSON HOSPITAL CORPORATION
PECKVILLE HOSPITAL COMPANY, LLC
PENNSYLVANIA HOSPITAL COMPANY, LLC

PHILLIPS HOSPITAL CORPORATION

PHOENIXVILLE HOSPITAL COMPANY, LLC POTTSTOWN HOSPITAL COMPANY, LLC

QHG GEORGIA HOLDINGS II, LLC QHG GEORGIA HOLDINGS, INC.

OHG GEORGIA, LP

QHG OF BLUFFTON COMPANY, LLC

QHG OF CLINTON COUNTY, INC.

QHG OF ENTERPRISE, INC.

By: /s/ Rachel A. Seifert

Name: /s/ Rachel A. Seifert Title: Executive Vice President QHG OF FORREST COUNTY, INC.
QHG OF FORT WAYNE COMPANY, LLC

QHG OF HATTIESBURG, INC. QHG OF MASSILLON, INC. QHG OF SOUTH CAROLINA, INC. QHG OF SPARTANBURG, INC. OHG OF SPRINGDALE, INC.

QHG OF WARSAW COMPANY, LLC QUORUM HEALTH RESOURCES, LLC RED BUD HOSPITAL CORPORATION

RED BUD ILLINOIS HOSPITAL COMPANY, LLC REGIONAL HOSPITAL OF LONGVIEW, LLC RIVER REGION MEDICAL CORPORATION ROSWELL HOSPITAL CORPORATION RUSTON HOSPITAL CORPORATION

RUSTON LOUISIANA HOSPITAL COMPANY, LLC

SACMC, LLC

SALEM HOSPITAL CORPORATION

SAN ANGELO COMMUNITY MEDICAL CENTER, LLC

SAN ANGELO MEDICAL, LLC

SAN MIGUEL HOSPITAL CORPORATION

SCRANTON HOLDINGS, LLC

SCRANTON HOSPITAL COMPANY, LLC SCRANTON QUINCY HOLDINGS, LLC

SCRANTON QUINCY HOSPITAL COMPANY, LLC

Acting on behalf of each of the Guarantors set forth above

SHELBYVILLE HOSPITAL CORPORATION

SILOAM SPRINGS ARKANSAS HOSPITAL COMPANY, LLC

SILOAM SPRINGS HOLDINGS, LLC

SOUTHERN TEXAS MEDICAL CENTER, LLC

SPOKANE VALLEY WASHINGTON HOSPITAL COMPANY, LLC

SPOKANE WASHINGTON HOSPITAL COMPANY, LLC

TENNYSON HOLDINGS, LLC

TOMBALL TEXAS HOLDINGS, LLC

TOMBALL TEXAS HOSPITAL COMPANY, LLC

TOOELE HOSPITAL CORPORATION

TRIAD HEALTHCARE CORPORATION

TRIAD HOLDINGS III, LLC

TRIAD HOLDINGS IV, LLC

TRIAD HOLDINGS V, LLC

TRIAD NEVADA HOLDINGS, LLC

TRIAD OF ALABAMA, LLC

TRIAD OF OREGON, LLC

TRIAD-ARMC, LLC

TRIAD-EL DORADO, INC.

TRIAD-NAVARRO REGIONAL HOSPITAL SUBSIDIARY, LLC

TUNKHANNOCK HOSPITAL COMPANY, LLC

VHC MEDICAL, LLC

VICKSBURG HEALTHCARE, LLC

VICTORIA HOSPITAL, LLC

VICTORIA OF TEXAS, L.P.

AFFINITY HEALTH SYSTEMS, LLC

By: /s/ Rachel A. Seifert

Name: /s/ Rachel A. Seifert
Title: Executive Vice President

Acting on behalf of each of the Guarantors set forth above

VIRGINIA HOSPITAL COMPANY, LLC WARREN OHIO HOSPITAL COMPANY, LLC WARREN OHIO REHAB HOSPITAL COMPANY, LLC

WATSONVILLE HOSPITAL CORPORATION WAUKEGAN HOSPITAL CORPORATION

WAUKEGAN ILLINOIS HOSPITAL COMPANY, LLC WEATHERFORD HOSPITAL CORPORATION

WEATHERFORD TEXAS HOSPITAL COMPANY, LLC

WEBB HOSPITAL CORPORATION WEBB HOSPITAL HOLDINGS, LLC WESLEY HEALTH SYSTEM, LLC

WEST GROVE HOSPITAL COMPANY, LLC

WHMC, LLC

WILKES-BARRE BEHAVIORAL HOSPITAL COMPANY, LLC

WILKES-BARRE HOLDINGS, LLC

WILKES-BARRE HOSPITAL COMPANY, LLC WILLIAMSTON HOSPITAL CORPORATION WOMEN & CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL, LLC WOODLAND HEIGHTS MEDICAL CENTER, LLC

WOODWARD HEALTH SYSTEM, LLC

YOUNGSTOWN OHIO HOSPITAL COMPANY, LLC BLUE ISLAND HOSPITAL COMPANY, LLC

BLUE ISLAND ILLINOIS HOLDINGS, LLC

LONGVIEW CLINIC OPERATIONS COMPANY, LLC

LONGVIEW MEDICAL CENTER, L.P.

AFFINITY HOSPITAL, LLC

REGIONS BANK,

By /s/ Paul Williams

Name: Paul Williams
Title: Vice President

PROVISIONS RELATING TO SECURITIES,

- 1. Definitions
- 1.1 Definitions

For the purposes of this Appendix the following terms shall have the meanings indicated below:

"Additional Securities" means Securities (other than the Securities issued on the Issue Date) issued under the Indenture (other than pursuant to Section 2.06, 2.07, 2.09 or 3.06 of the Indenture), as part of the same series as the Securities issued on the Issue Date.

"Definitive Security" means a certificated Security.

"Depository" means The Depository Trust Company, its nominees and their respective successors.

"Global Security Legend" means the legend set forth in Section 2.3(d) hereto, which is required to be placed on all Securities Issued under the Indenture.

"Global Securities" mean, individually and collectively, each of the Securities issued or issuable in the global form of Exhibit A hereto issued in accordance with Article 2 of the Indenture.

"Issue Date" means July 18, 2012.

"Securities" means (1) \$1,200,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 7.125% Senior Notes Due 2020 issued on the Issue Date and (2) Additional Securities, if any.

"Securities Act" means the Securities Act of 1933.

"Securities Custodian" means the custodian with respect to a Global Security (as appointed by the Depository), or any successor Person thereto and shall initially be the Trustee.

"Underwriters" means (1) with respect to the Securities issued on the Issue Date, Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC, Citigroup Global Markets Inc., Credit Agricole Securities (USA) Inc., Goldman, Sachs & Co., J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC, RBC Capital Markets, LLC, SunTrust Ronbinson Humphrey, Inc., Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, Deutsche Bank Securities Inc., Fifth Third Securities, Inc., Mitsubishi UFJ

Securities (USA), Inc., Scotia Capital (USA) Inc. and UBS Securities LLC and (2) with respect to each issuance of Additional Securities, the Persons underwriting such issuance of Additional Securities under the related Underwriting Agreement.

"Underwriting Agreement" means (1) with respect to the Securities issued on the Issue Date, the Underwriting Agreement dated July 9, 2012, among the Company, the Guarantors and the Underwriters, and (2) with respect to each issuance of Additional Securities, the underwriting agreement among the Company, the Guarantors and the Persons underwriting such issuance of Additional Securities.

1.2 Other Definitions

	Defined
	in
Term	Section:
"Agent Members"	2.1(b)

2. The Securities.

2.1(a) Form and Dating. The Securities issued on the Issue Date will be offered and sold by the Company pursuant to an Underwriting Agreement. Securities issued in global form shall be substantially in the form of Exhibit A attached hereto (including the Global Security Legend and the "Schedule of Increases or Decreases in the Global Security" attached thereto). Securities issued in definitive form shall be substantially in the form of Exhibit A attached hereto (but without the Global Security Legend and without the "Schedule of Increases or Decreases in the Global Security" attached thereto). Each Global Security shall represent such aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Securities as shall be specified therein and each shall provide that it shall represent the aggregate principal amount of outstanding Securities from time to time endorsed thereon and that the aggregate principal amount of outstanding Securities represented thereby may from time to time be reduced or increased, as appropriate, to reflect exchanges and redemptions. Additional Securities offered after the Issue Date may be transferred by the holders thereof in accordance with applicable law.

Any endorsement of a Global Security to reflect the amount of any increase or decrease in the aggregate principal amount of outstanding Securities represented thereby shall be made by the Trustee, the Depository or the Securities Custodian, at the direction of the Trustee, in accordance with instructions give by the Securityholder thereof.

(b) <u>Book-Entry Provisions.</u> This Section 2.1(b) shall apply only to a Global Security deposited with or on behalf of the Depository.

The Company shall execute and the Trustee shall, in accordance with this Section 2.1(b), authenticate and deliver initially one or more Global Securities that (a) shall be registered in the name of the Depository for such Global Security or Global Securities or the nominee of such Depository and (b) shall be delivered by the Trustee to such Depository or pursuant to such Depository's instructions or held by the Trustee as custodian for the Depository.

Members of, or participants in, the Depository ("Agent Members") shall have no rights under the Indenture with respect to any Global Security held on their behalf by the Depository or by the Trustee as the custodian of the Depository or under such Global Security, and the Company, the Trustee and any agent of the Company or the Trustee shall be entitled to treat the Depository as the absolute owner of such Global Security for all purposes whatsoever. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing herein shall prevent the Company, the Trustee or any agent of the Company or the Trustee from giving effect to any written certification, proxy or other authorization furnished by the Depository or impair, as between the Depository and its Agent Members, the operation of customary practices of such Depository governing the exercise of the rights of a holder of a beneficial interest in any Global Security.

- (c) <u>Definitive Securities</u>. Except as provided in this Section 2.1 or Section 2.3 or 2.4, owners of beneficial interests in Global Securities shall not be entitled to receive physical delivery of Definitive Securities.
- 2.2 <u>Authentication.</u> The Trustee shall authenticate and deliver: (1) on the Issue Date, an aggregate principal amount of \$1,200,000,000 of 7.125% Senior Notes Due 2020 and (2) any Additional Securities for an original issue in an aggregate principal amount specified in the written order of the Company pursuant to Section 2.02 of the Indenture for a like principal amount of Securities, in each case upon a written order of the Company signed by two Officers or by an Officer and either an Assistant Treasurer or an Assistant Secretary of the Company. Such order shall specify the amount of the Securities to be authenticated and the date on which the original issue of Securities is to be authenticated and, in the case of any issuance of Additional Securities pursuant to Section 2.13 of the Indenture, shall certify that such issuance is in compliance with Section 4.03 of the Indenture and made pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act.
 - 2.3 Transfer and Exchange.
 - (a) Transfer and Exchange of Definitive Securities. When Definitive Securities are presented to the Registrar with a request:
 - (x) to register the transfer of such Definitive Securities; or
 - (y) to exchange such Definitive Securities for an equal principal amount of Definitive Securities of other authorized denominations,

the Registrar shall register the transfer or make the exchange as requested if its reasonable requirements for such transaction are met; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the Definitive Securities surrendered for transfer or exchange shall be duly endorsed or accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form reasonably satisfactory to the Company and the Registrar, duly executed by the Holder thereof or its attorney duly authorized in writing.

(b) Restrictions on Transfer of a Definitive Security for a Beneficial Interest in a Global Security. A Definitive Security may not be exchanged for a beneficial interest in a Global Security, except upon satisfaction of the requirements set forth below. Upon receipt by the Trustee of a Definitive Security, duly endorsed or accompanied by appropriate instruments of transfer, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, together with written instructions directing the Trustee to make, or to direct the Securities Custodian to make, an adjustment on its books and records with respect to such Global Security to reflect an increase in the aggregate principal amount of the Securities represented by the Global Security, such instructions to contain information regarding the Depository account to be credited with such increase, then the Trustee shall cancel such Definitive Security and cause, or direct the Securities Custodian to cause, in accordance with the standing instructions and procedures existing between the Depository and the Securities Custodian, the aggregate principal amount of Securities represented by the Global Security to be increased by the aggregate principal amount of the Definitive Security to be exchanged and shall credit or cause to be credited to the account of the Person specified in such instructions a beneficial interest in the Global Security equal to the principal amount of the Definitive Security so canceled. If no Global Securities are then outstanding, the Company shall issue and the Trustee shall authenticate, upon written order of the Company in the form of an Officers' Certificate of the Company, a new Global Security in the appropriate principal amount.

(c) Transfer and Exchange of Global Securities.

- (i) The transfer and exchange of Global Securities or beneficial interests therein shall be effected through the Depository, in accordance with the Indenture (including applicable restrictions on transfer set forth herein, if any) and the procedures of the Depository therefor. A transferor of a beneficial interest in a Global Security shall deliver to the Registrar a written order given in accordance with the Depository's procedures containing information regarding the participant account of the Depository to be credited with a beneficial interest in the Global Security. The Registrar shall, in accordance with such instructions instruct the Depository to credit to the account of the Person specified in such instructions a beneficial interest in the Global Security and to debit the account of the Person making the transfer the beneficial interest in the Global Security being transferred.
- (ii) If the proposed transfer is a transfer of a beneficial interest in one Global Security to a beneficial interest in another Global Security, the Registrar shall reflect on its books and records the date and an increase

in the principal amount of the Global Security to which such interest is being transferred in an amount equal to the principal amount of the interest to be so transferred, and the Registrar shall reflect on its books and records the date and a corresponding decrease in the principal amount of the Global Security from which such interest is being transferred.

(iii) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Appendix (other than the provisions set forth in Section 2.4), a Global Security may not be transferred as a whole except by the Depository to a nominee of the Depository or by a nominee of the Depository or another nominee of the Depository or any such nominee to a successor Depository or a nominee of such successor Depository.

(d) Legend.

(i) Each Security certificate evidencing the Global Securities shall bear a legend in substantially the following form:

UNLESS THIS CERTIFICATE IS PRESENTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEPOSITORY TRUST COMPANY, A NEW YORK CORPORATION ("DTC"), NEW YORK, NEW YORK, TO THE COMPANY OR ITS AGENT FOR REGISTRATION OF TRANSFER, EXCHANGE OR PAYMENT, AND ANY CERTIFICATE ISSUED IS REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF CEDE & CO. OR SUCH OTHER NAME AS IS REQUESTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF DTC (AND ANY PAYMENT IS MADE TO CEDE & CO., OR TO SUCH OTHER ENTITY AS IS REQUESTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF DTC) ANY TRANSFER, PLEDGE OR OTHER USE HEREOF FOR VALUE OR OTHERWISE BY OR TO ANY PERSON IS WRONGFUL INASMUCH AS THE REGISTERED OWNER HEREOF, CEDE & CO., HAS AN INTEREST HEREIN.

TRANSFERS OF THIS GLOBAL SECURITY SHALL BE LIMITED TO TRANSFERS IN WHOLE, BUT NOT IN PART, TO NOMINEES OF DTC OR TO A SUCCESSOR THEREOF OR SUCH SUCCESSOR'S NOMINEE AND TRANSFERS OF PORTIONS OF THIS GLOBAL SECURITY SHALL BE LIMITED TO TRANSFERS MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE REFERRED TO ON THE REVERSE HEREOF.

Each Definitive Security shall also bear the following additional legend:

IN CONNECTION WITH ANY TRANSFER, THE HOLDER WILL DELIVER TO THE REGISTRAR AND TRANSFER

AGENT SUCH CERTIFICATES AND OTHER INFORMATION AS SUCH TRANSFER AGENT MAY REASONABLY REQUIRE TO CONFIRM THAT THE TRANSFER COMPLIES WITH THE FOREGOING RESTRICTIONS.

(e) <u>Cancellation or Adjustment of Global Security</u>. At such time as all beneficial interests in a Global Security have either been exchanged for Definitive Securities, redeemed, purchased or canceled, such Global Security shall be returned to the Depository for cancellation or retained and canceled by the Trustee. At any time prior to such cancellation, if any beneficial interest in a Global Security is exchanged for certificated Securities, redeemed, purchased or canceled, the principal amount of Securities represented by such Global Security shall be reduced and an adjustment shall be made on the books and records of the Trustee (if it is then the Securities Custodian for such Global Security) with respect to such Global Security, by the Trustee or the Securities Custodian, to reflect such reduction.

(f) No Obligation of the Trustee.

- (i) The Trustee shall have no responsibility or obligation to any beneficial owner of a Global Security, a member of, or a participant in the Depository or other Person with respect to the accuracy of the records of the Depository or its nominee or of any participant or member thereof, with respect to any ownership interest in the Securities or with respect to the delivery to any participant, member, beneficial owner or other Person (other than the Depository) of any notice (including any notice of redemption) or the payment of any amount, under or with respect to such Securities. All notices and communications to be given to the Holders and all payments to be made to Holders under the Securities shall be given or made only to or upon the order of the registered Holders (which shall be the Depository or its nominee in the case of a Global Security). The rights of beneficial owners in any Global Security shall be exercised only through the Depository subject to the applicable rules and procedures of the Depository. The Trustee may rely and shall be fully protected in relying upon information furnished by the Depository with respect to its members, participants and any beneficial owners.
- (ii) The Trustee shall have no obligation or duty to monitor, determine or inquire as to compliance with any restrictions on transfer imposed under the Indenture or under applicable law with respect to any transfer of any interest in any Security (including any transfers between or among Depository participants, members or beneficial owners in any Global Security) other than to require delivery of such certificates and other documentation or evidence as are expressly required by, and to do so if and when expressly required by, the terms of the Indenture, and to examine the same to determine substantial compliance as to form with the express requirements hereof.

2.4 Definitive Securities.

- (a) A Global Security deposited with the Depository or with the Trustee as Securities Custodian for the Depository pursuant to Section 2.1 shall be transferred to the beneficial owners thereof in the form of Definitive Securities in an aggregate principal amount equal to the principal amount of such Global Security, in exchange for such Global Security, only if such transfer complies with Section 2.3 hereof and (i) the Depository notifies the Company that it is unwilling or unable to continue as Depository for such Global Security and the Depository fails to appoint a successor depository or if at any time such Depository ceases to be a "clearing agency" registered under the Exchange Act, in either case, and a successor depository is not appointed by the Company within 90 days of such notice, or (ii) an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing or (iii) the Company, in its sole discretion, notifies the Trustee in writing that it elects to cause the issuance of Definitive Securities under the Indenture.
- (b) Any Global Security that is transferable to the beneficial owners thereof pursuant to this Section 2.4 shall be surrendered by the Depository to the Trustee located at its corporate trust location in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, to be so transferred, in whole or from time to time in part, without charge, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, upon such transfer of each portion of such Global Security, an equal aggregate principal amount of Definitive Securities of authorized denominations. Any portion of a Global Security transferred pursuant to this Section 2.4 shall be executed, authenticated and delivered only in denominations of \$2,000 principal amount and any greater integral multiple of \$1,000 and registered in such names as the Depository shall direct.
- (c) Subject to the provisions of Section 2.4(b) hereof, the registered Holder of a Global Security shall be entitled to grant proxies and otherwise authorize any Person, including Agent Members and Persons that may hold interests through Agent Members, to take any action which a Holder is entitled to take under the Indenture or the Securities.
- (d) In the event of the occurrence of one of the events specified in Section 2.4(a) hereof, the Company shall promptly make available to the Trustee a reasonable supply of Definitive Securities in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons. In the event that such Definitive Securities are not issued, the Company expressly acknowledges, with respect to the right of any Holder to pursue a remedy pursuant to Section 6.06 of the Indenture, the right of any beneficial owner of Securities to pursue such remedy with respect to the portion of the Global Security that represents such beneficial owner's Securities as if such Definitive Securities had been issued.

[FORM OF FACE OF SECURITY]

[Global Securities Legend]

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[Definitive Securities Legend]

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No. \$

7.125% Senior Notes Due 2020

CHS/Community Health Systems, Inc., a Delaware corporation, promises to pay to , or registered assigns, the principal sum of July 15, 2020.

Interest Payment Dates: January 15 and July 15.

Record Dates: January 1 and July 1.

Additional provisions of this Security are set forth on the other side of this Security.

Dated:

CHS/COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC.

By: Name: Title:

By: Name: Title: This is one of the Securities referred to in the within-mentioned Indenture.

REGIONS BANK,

as Trustee

By:

Authorized Signatory

[FORM OF REVERSE SIDE OF SECURITY]

7.125% Senior Note Due 2020

1. Interest

CHS/Community Health Systems, Inc., a Delaware corporation (such corporation, and its successors and assigns under the Indenture hereinafter referred to, being herein called the "Company"), promises to pay interest on the principal amount of this Security at the rate per annum shown above. The Company will pay interest semiannually on January 15 and July 15 of each year, commencing January 15, 2013. Interest on the Securities will accrue from the most recent date to which interest has been paid or, if no interest has been paid, from July 18, 2012. Interest will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months. The Company will pay interest on overdue principal at the rate borne by this Security plus 1.0% per annum, and it will pay interest on overdue installments of interest at the same rate to the extent lawful.

2. Method of Payment

The Company will pay interest on the Securities (except defaulted interest) to the Persons who are registered holders of Securities at the close of business on the January 1 or July 1 next preceding the interest payment date even if Securities are canceled after the record date and on or before the interest payment date. Holders must surrender Securities to a Paying Agent to collect principal payments. The Company will pay principal and interest in money of the United States that at the time of payment is legal tender for payment of public and private debts. Payments in respect of the Securities represented by a Global Security (including principal, premium and interest) will be made by wire transfer of immediately available funds to the accounts specified by the Depository. The Company will make all payments in respect of a certificated Security (including principal, premium and interest) by mailing a check to the registered address of each Holder thereof; provided, however, that payments on a certificated Security will be made by wire transfer to a U.S. dollar account maintained by the payee with a bank in the United States if such Holder elects payment by wire transfer by giving written notice to the Trustee or the Paying Agent to such effect designating such account no later than 30 days immediately preceding the relevant due date for payment (or such other date as the Trustee may accept in its discretion).

3. Paying Agent and Registrar

Initially, Regions Bank (the "Trustee") will act as Paying Agent and Registrar. The Company may appoint and change any Paying Agent, Registrar or co-registrar without notice. The Company or any of its domestically incorporated Wholly Owned Subsidiaries may act as Paying Agent, Registrar or co-registrar.

4. Indenture

The Company issued the Securities under an Indenture dated as of July 18, 2012 ("Indenture"), among the Company, the Guarantors and the Trustee. The terms of the

Securities include those stated in the Indenture and those made part of the Indenture by reference to the Trust Indenture Act of 1939 (15 <u>U.S.C.</u> §§ 77aaa-77bbbb) (the "Act"). Terms defined in the Indenture and not defined herein have the meanings ascribed thereto in the Indenture. The Securities are subject to all such terms, and Securityholders are referred to the Indenture and the Act for a statement of those terms.

The Securities are unsecured senior obligations of the Company. The Company shall be entitled, subject to its compliance with Section 4.03 of the Indenture and the registration thereof under the Securities Act, to issue Additional Securities pursuant to Section 2.13 of the Indenture. The Securities issued on the Issue Date and any Additional Securities will be treated as a single class for all purposes under the Indenture. The Indenture contains covenants that limit the ability of the Company and its subsidiaries to incur additional indebtedness; pay dividends or distributions on, or redeem or repurchase capital stock; make investments; issue or sell capital stock of subsidiaries; engage in transactions with affiliates; create liens on assets; transfer or sell assets; guarantee indebtedness; restrict dividends or other payments of subsidiaries; consolidate, merge or transfer all or substantially all of its assets and the assets of its subsidiaries; and engage in sale/leaseback transactions. These covenants are subject to important exceptions and qualifications.

5. Optional Redemption

Except as set forth below, the Company shall not be entitled to redeem the Securities at its option prior to July 15, 2016.

On and after July 15, 2016, the Company shall be entitled at its option to redeem all or a portion of the Securities upon not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' notice, at the redemption prices (expressed in percentages of principal amount, on the redemption date) plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the redemption date (subject to the right of Holders of record on the relevant record date to receive interest due on the relevant interest payment date), if redeemed during the 12-month period commencing on July 15 of the years set forth below:

	Redemption
Period	Price
Period 2016	103.563%
2017	101.781%
2018 and thereafter	100.000%

In addition, prior to July 15, 2015, the Company shall be entitled at its option on one or more occasions to redeem Securities (which includes Additional Securities, if any) in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed 35% of the aggregate principal amount of the Securities (which includes Additional Securities, if any) originally issued at a redemption price (expressed as a percentage of principal amount) of 107.125%, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the redemption date (subject to the right of Holders on the relevant record date to receive interest due on the relevant interest payment date), with the Net Cash Proceeds from one or more Public Equity Offerings (provided that if

the Public Equity Offering is an offering by Parent, a portion of the Net Cash Proceeds thereof equal to the amount required to redeem any such Securities is contributed to the equity capital of the Company); provided, however, that (1) at least 65% of such aggregate principal amount of Securities originally issued remains outstanding immediately after the occurrence of each such redemption (other than Securities held, directly or indirectly, by the Company or its Subsidiaries); and (2) each such redemption occurs within 180 days after the date of the related Public Equity Offering.

Prior to July 15, 2016, the Company shall be entitled at its option to redeem all or a portion of the Securities at a redemption price equal to 100.000% of the principal amount of the Securities redeemed plus the Applicable Premium as of, and accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to, the applicable redemption date (subject to the right of Holders on the relevant record date to receive interest due on the relevant interest payment date). The Company shall cause notice of such redemption to be mailed by first-class mail to each Holder's registered address, not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior to the redemption date.

6. Notice of Redemption

Notice of redemption will be mailed at least 30 days but not more than 60 days before the redemption date to each Holder of Securities to be redeemed at his registered address. Securities in denominations larger than \$2,000 principal amount may be redeemed in part but only in whole multiples of \$1,000. If money sufficient to pay the redemption price of and accrued interest on all Securities (or portions thereof) to be redeemed on the redemption date is deposited with the Paying Agent on or before the redemption date and certain other conditions are satisfied, on and after such date interest ceases to accrue on such Securities (or such portions thereof) called for redemption.

Any optional redemption and notice of redemption may, at the Company's discretion, be subject to the satisfaction of one or more conditions precedent (including, in the case of a redemption related to a Public Equity Offering, the consummation of such Public Equity Offering).

7. Put Provisions

Upon a Change of Control, any Holder of Securities will have the right to cause the Company to repurchase all or any part of the Securities of such Holder at a repurchase price equal to 101% of the principal amount of the Securities to be repurchased plus accrued interest to the date of repurchase (subject to the right of holders of record on the relevant record date to receive interest due on the related interest payment date) as provided in, and subject to the terms of, the Indenture.

8. Guaranty

The payment by the Company of the principal of, and premium and interest on, the Securities is fully and unconditionally guaranteed on a joint and several senior basis by each of the Guarantors to the extent set forth in the Indenture.

9. <u>Denominations; Transfer; Exchange</u>

The Securities are in registered form without coupons in denominations of \$2,000 principal amount and any greater integral multiple of \$1,000. A Holder may transfer or exchange Securities in accordance with the Indenture. The Registrar may require a Holder, among other things, to furnish appropriate endorsements or transfer documents and to pay any taxes and fees required by law or permitted by the Indenture. The Registrar need not register the transfer of or exchange any Securities selected for redemption (except, in the case of a Security to be redeemed in part, the portion of the Security not to be redeemed) or any Securities for a period of 15 days before a selection of Securities to be redeemed or 15 days before an interest payment date.

10. Persons Deemed Owners

The registered Holder of this Security may be treated as the owner of it for all purposes.

11. Unclaimed Money

If money for the payment of principal or interest remains unclaimed for two years, the Trustee or Paying Agent shall pay the money back to the Company at its request unless an abandoned property law designates another Person. After any such payment, Holders entitled to the money must look only to the Company and not to the Trustee for payment.

12. <u>Discharge and Defeasance</u>

Subject to certain conditions, the Company at any time shall be entitled to terminate some or all of its obligations under the Securities and the Indenture if the Company deposits with the Trustee money or U.S. Government Obligations for the payment of principal and interest on the Securities to redemption or maturity, as the case may be.

13. Amendment; Waiver

Subject to certain exceptions set forth in the Indenture, (1) the Indenture and the Securities may be amended or supplemented with the written consent of the Holders of at least a majority in principal amount outstanding of the Securities and (2) any default or noncompliance with any provision may be waived with the written consent of the Holders of a majority in principal amount outstanding of the Securities. Subject to certain exceptions set forth in the Indenture, without the consent of any Securityholder, the Company, the Guarantors and the Trustee shall be entitled to amend or supplement the Indenture or the Securities to cure any ambiguity, omission, mistake, defect or inconsistency, or to comply with Article 5 of the Indenture, or to provide for uncertificated Securities in addition to or in place of certificated Securities, or to add guarantees with respect to the Securities, including Guaranties, or to secure the Securities, or to add additional covenants or surrender rights and powers conferred on the Company or the Guarantors, or to comply with any requirement of the SEC in connection

with the qualification of the Indenture under the Act, or to make changes of a technical or conforming nature that are necessary (as determined in good faith by the Company) for the proper issuance of Additional Securities otherwise permitted to be issued under the Indenture, or to evidence and provide for the acceptance and appointment under the Indenture of a successor Trustee pursuant to the requirements therefore or to provide for the accession by such successor Trustee to the Securities, the Guarantees and the Indenture, or to make any change that does not adversely affect the rights of any Securityholder, or to conform the text of the Indenture, the Securities and the Subsidiary Guaranties to the "Description of the Notes" contained in the Prospectus Supplement.

Defaults and Remedies

Under the Indenture, Events of Default include (a) default for 30 days in payment of interest on the Securities; (b) default in payment of principal on the Securities at maturity, upon redemption pursuant to paragraph 5 of the Securities, upon acceleration or otherwise, or failure by the Company to purchase Securities when required; (c) failure by the Company, Parent or any Subsidiary Guarantor to comply with other agreements in the Indenture or the Securities, in certain cases subject to notice and lapse of time; (d) certain accelerations (including failure to pay within any grace period after final maturity) of other Indebtedness of the Company and Significant Subsidiaries if the amount accelerated (or so unpaid) exceeds \$125,000,000; (e) certain events of bankruptcy or insolvency with respect to the Company and the Significant Subsidiaries; (f) certain judgments or decrees for the payment of money in excess of \$125,000,000; and (g) certain defaults with respect to Guaranties. If an Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the Trustee or the Holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the outstanding Securities may declare all the Securities to be due and payable immediately. Certain events of bankruptcy or insolvency are Events of Default which will result in the Securities being due and payable immediately upon the occurrence of such Events of Default.

Securityholders may not enforce the Indenture or the Securities except as provided in the Indenture. The Trustee may refuse to enforce the Indenture or the Securities unless it receives indemnity or security satisfactory to it. Subject to certain limitations, Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Securities may direct the Trustee in its exercise of any trust or power. The Trustee may withhold from Securityholders notice of any continuing Default (except a Default in payment of principal or interest) if it determines that withholding notice is in the interest of the Holders.

15. Trustee Dealings with the Company

Subject to certain limitations imposed by the Act, the Trustee under the Indenture, in its individual or any other capacity, may become the owner or pledgee of Securities and may otherwise deal with and collect obligations owed to it by the Company or its Affiliates and may otherwise deal with the Company or its Affiliates with the same rights it would have if it were not Trustee.

16. No Recourse Against Others

A director, officer, employee or stockholder, as such, of the Company or the Trustee shall not have any liability for any obligations of the Company under the Securities or the Indenture or for any claim based on, in respect of or by reason of such obligations or their creation (other than pursuant to any Guaranty). By accepting a Security, each Securityholder waives and releases all such liability. The waiver and release are part of the consideration for the issue of the Securities.

17. Authentication

This Security shall not be valid until an authorized signatory of the Trustee (or an authenticating agent) manually signs the certificate of authentication on the other side of this Security.

18. Abbreviations

Customary abbreviations may be used in the name of a Securityholder or an assignee, such as TEN COM (=tenants in common), TEN ENT (=tenants by the entireties), JT TEN (=joint tenants with rights of survivorship and not as tenants in common), CUST (=custodian), and U/G/M/A (=Uniform Gift to Minors Act).

19. CUSIP Numbers

Pursuant to a recommendation promulgated by the Committee on Uniform Security Identification Procedures the Company has caused CUSIP numbers to be printed on the Securities and has directed the Trustee to use CUSIP numbers in notices of redemption as a convenience to Securityholders. No representation is made as to the accuracy of such numbers either as printed on the Securities or as contained in any notice of redemption and reliance may be placed only on the other identification numbers placed thereon.

20. Governing Law

THIS SECURITY SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

The Company will furnish to any Securityholder upon written request and without charge to the Security holder a copy of the Indenture which has in it the text of this Security in larger type. Requests may be made to:

CHS/Community Health Systems, Inc. 4000 Meridian Boulevard Franklin, TN 37067

Attention: General Counsel

ASSIGNMENT FORM

To assign this Security, fill in	the form below:
or we assign and transfer this	Security to
[Print or type assignee's	name, address and zip code]
[Insert assignee's soc. se	c. ortax I.D. No.]
nd irrevocably appoint	agent to transfer this Security on the books of the Company. The agent may substitute another to act for him.
Date:	Your Signature:

Sign exactly as your name appears on the other side of this Security.

OPTION (OF HOLDER TO ELECT PURCHASE
If you want to elect to have this Security purchased by	by the Company pursuant to Section 4.06 or 4.09 of the Indenture, check the box: \Box
If you want to elect to have only part of this Security amount in principal amount: \$	y purchased by the Company pursuant to Section 4.06 or 4.09 of the Indenture, state the
Dated:	Your Signature:
(Sign e. Security	xactly as your name appears on the other side of this y.)
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Signatures must be guaranteed by an "eligible guarantor institution" meeting the requirements of the Registrar, which requirements include membership or participation in the Security Transfer Agent Medallion Program ("STAMP") or such other "signature guarantee program" as may be determined by the Registrar in addition to, or in substitution for, STAMP, all in accordance with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

(Signature must be guaranteed)

[TO BE ATTACHED TO GLOBAL SECURITIES]

SCHEDULE OF INCREASES OR DECREASES IN GLOBAL SECURITY

The following increases or decreases in this Global Security have been made:

Amount of decrease in Principal amount of Date of Exchange this Global Security

Amount of increase in Principal amount of this Global Security Principal amount of this Global Security following such decrease or increase Signature of authorized officer of Trustee or Securities Custodian THIRD SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE (this "Supplemental Indenture"), dated as of May 15, 2012, among CHS/COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC., a Delaware corporation (the "Issuer"), each of the parties identified as a New Subsidiary Guarantor on the signature pages hereto (each, a "New Subsidiary Guarantor" and collectively, the "New Subsidiary Guarantors") and U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as Trustee under the Indenture (the "Trustee").

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS the Issuer has heretofore executed and delivered to the Trustee an Indenture (the "Indenture"), dated as of November 22, 2011, providing for the issuance of the 8.000% Senior Notes due 2019 (the "Securities");

WHEREAS, each of the undersigned New Subsidiary Guarantors has deemed it advisable and in its best interest to execute and deliver this Supplemental Indenture, and to become a New Subsidiary Guarantor under the Indenture; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 9.01(4) of the Indenture, the Trustee, the Issuer and the New Subsidiary Guarantors are authorized to execute and deliver this Supplemental Indenture.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the Issuer, the New Subsidiary Guarantors and the Trustee mutually covenant and agree for the equal and ratable benefit of the Holders of the Securities as follows:

- SECTION 1. Capitalized Terms. Capitalized terms used herein but not defined shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Indenture.
- SECTION 2. <u>Guaranties</u>. Each New Subsidiary Guarantor hereby agrees to guarantee the Issuer's obligations under the Securities on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in Article 10 of the Indenture and to be bound by all other applicable provisions of the Indenture as a Subsidiary Guarantor.
- SECTION 3. <u>Ratification of Indenture</u>: <u>Supplemental Indentures Part of Indenture</u>. Except as expressly amended hereby, the Indenture is in all respects ratified and confirmed and all the terms, conditions and provisions thereof shall remain in full force and effect. This Supplemental Indenture shall form a part of the Indenture for all purposes, shall inure to the benefit of the Trustee and every Holder of Securities heretofore or hereafter authenticated and the Issuer, the Trustee and every Holder of Securities heretofore or hereafter authenticated and delivered shall be bound hereby.

SECTION 4. <u>Governing Law.</u> THIS SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

- SECTION 5. Trustee Makes No Representation. The Trustee makes no representation as to the validity or sufficiency of this Supplemental Indenture.
- SECTION 6. Counterparts. The parties may sign any number of copies of this Supplemental Indenture. Each signed copy shall be an original, but all of them together represent the same agreement.
- SECTION 7. Effect of Headings. The Section headings herein are for convenience only and shall not effect the construction of this Supplemental Indenture.

[Signature page follows]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this Supplemental Indenture to be duly executed as of this 15^{th} day of May, 2012.

CHS/Community Health Systems, Inc., a Delaware corporation

By: /s/ Rachel A. Seifert

Rachel A. Seifert

Executive Vice President, Secretary & General Counsel

Affinity Health Systems, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company

By: /s/ Rachel A. Seifert

Rachel A. Seifert

Executive Vice President and Secretary

Affinity Hospital, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company

By: /s/ Rachel A. Seifert

Rachel A. Seifert

Executive Vice President and Secretary

U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee

By: /s/ Wally Jones

Wally Jones Vice President FOURTEENTH SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE (this "Supplemental Indenture"), dated as of May 15, 2012, among CHS/COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC., a Delaware corporation (the "Issuer"), each of the parties identified as a New Subsidiary Guarantor on the signature pages hereto (each, a "New Subsidiary Guarantor" and collectively, the "New Subsidiary Guarantors") and U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as Trustee under the Indenture (the "Trustee").

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS the Issuer has heretofore executed and delivered to the Trustee an Indenture (the "Indenture"), dated as of July 25, 2007, providing for the issuance of the 8.875% Senior Notes due 2015 (the "Securities");

WHEREAS, each of the undersigned New Subsidiary Guarantors has deemed it advisable and in its best interest to execute and deliver this Supplemental Indenture, and to become a New Subsidiary Guarantor under the Indenture; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 9.01(4) of the Indenture, the Trustee, the Issuer and the New Subsidiary Guarantors are authorized to execute and deliver this Supplemental Indenture.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the Issuer, the New Subsidiary Guarantors and the Trustee mutually covenant and agree for the equal and ratable benefit of the Holders of the Securities as follows:

- SECTION 1. Capitalized Terms. Capitalized terms used herein but not defined shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Indenture.
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- SECTION 3. <u>Ratification of Indenture</u>: <u>Supplemental Indentures Part of Indenture</u>. Except as expressly amended hereby, the Indenture is in all respects ratified and confirmed and all the terms, conditions and provisions thereof shall remain in full force and effect. This Supplemental Indenture shall form a part of the Indenture for all purposes, shall inure to the benefit of the Trustee and every Holder of Securities heretofore or hereafter authenticated and the Issuer, the Trustee and every Holder of Securities heretofore or hereafter authenticated and delivered shall be bound hereby.

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[Signature page follows]

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Rachel A. Seifert Executive Vice President, Secretary & General Counsel

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By: /s/ Rachel A. Seifert

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Rachel A. Seifert Executive Vice President and Secretary

U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee

By: /s/ Wally Jones

Wally Jones Vice President

SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE FOR THE NOTES

CHS/COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC., GUARANTORS PARTY HERETO

AND

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,

as Trustee

SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE

Dated as of July 18, 2012

to

Indenture

Dated as of July 25, 2007

87/8% Senior Notes due 2015

This **FIFTEENTH SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE** (this "Supplemental Indenture"), dated as of July 18, 2012, among CHS/COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), the guarantors listed on Schedule I hereto (the "Guarantors") and U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, a national banking association, as Trustee (the "Trustee"), under the Indenture, dated as of July 25, 2007, as amended to date (the "Indenture"). Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Indenture.

WITNESSETH:

- WHEREAS, the Company has issued its 8 7/8% Senior Notes Due 2015 (the "Notes") pursuant to the Indenture;
- WHEREAS, the Company has offered to purchase for cash any and all outstanding Notes (the "Tender Offer");
- WHEREAS, in connection with the Tender Offer, the Company has requested that Holders of the Notes deliver their consents with respect to the deletion of certain provisions of the Indenture;
- WHEREAS, Section 9.02 of the Indenture provides that the Company and the Trustee may amend or supplement the Indenture and the Notes with the consent of the Holders of at least a majority in aggregate principal amount of the then outstanding Notes (including, without limitation, consents obtained in connection with a tender offer or exchange offer for the Notes);
- WHEREAS, the Holders of at least a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Notes have duly consented to the proposed modifications set forth in this Supplemental Indenture in accordance with the Indenture (including Section 9.02 thereof);
- WHEREAS, the Company has heretofore delivered, or is delivering contemporaneously herewith, to the Trustee (i) a copy of resolutions of the Board of Directors of the Company authorizing the execution of this Supplemental Indenture, (ii) evidence of the consent of the Holders set forth in the immediately preceding paragraph and (iii) the Officers' Certificate and the Opinion of Counsel described in Section 9.06 of the Indenture; and
- WHEREAS, all conditions necessary to authorize the execution and delivery of this Supplemental Indenture and to make this Supplemental Indenture valid and binding have been complied with or have been done or performed.
- **NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the foregoing and notwithstanding any provision of the Indenture which, absent this Supplemental Indenture, might operate to limit such action, the parties hereto, intending to be legally bound hereby, agree as follows:

ARTICLE ONE

AMENDMENTS

SECTION 1.01 Amendments.

- (a) Subject to Section 7.02 hereof, the Indenture is hereby amended by deleting in their entireties Sections 4.02, 4.03, 4.04, 4.05, 4.06, 4.07, 4.08, 4.09, 4.10, 4.11, 4.12, 4.13, 4.14, 5.01(a)(3), 6.01(5), 6.01(6), 6.01(7), 6.01(8) and 6.01(9) of the Indenture.
- (b) Effective as of the date hereof, none of the Company, the Trustee or other parties to or beneficiaries of the Indenture shall have any rights, obligations or liabilities under such Sections or Clauses and such Sections or Clauses shall not be considered in determining whether an Event of Default has occurred or whether the Company has observed, performed or complied with the provisions of the Indenture.
- **SECTION 1.02** *Amendment of Definitions.* Subject to Section 2.01 hereof, the Indenture is hereby amended by deleting any definitions from the Indenture with respect to which references would be eliminated as a result of the amendments of the Indenture pursuant to Section 1.01 hereof.

ARTICLE TWO

MISCELLANEOUS

SECTION 2.01 Effect of Supplemental Indenture. Except as amended hereby, all of the terms of the Indenture shall remain and continue in full force and effect and are hereby confirmed in all respects. From and after the date of this Supplemental Indenture, all references to the Indenture (whether in the Indenture or in any other agreements, documents or instruments) shall be deemed to be references to the Indenture as amended and supplemented by this Supplemental Indenture.

SECTION 2.02 *Effectiveness.* The provisions of this Supplemental Indenture shall be effective only upon execution and delivery of this instrument by the parties hereto. Notwithstanding the foregoing sentence, the provisions of this Supplemental Indenture shall become operative only upon the purchase by the Company of at least a majority in principal amount of the outstanding Notes pursuant to the Tender Offer, with the result that the amendments to the Indenture effected by this Supplemental Indenture shall be deemed to be revoked retroactively to the date hereof if such purchase shall not occur.

SECTION 2.02 Governing Law. THE INTERNAL LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK SHALL GOVERN AND BE USED TO CONSTRUE THIS SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE.

SECTION 2.03 No Representations by Trustee. The recitals contained herein shall be taken as the statement of the Company, and the Trustee assumes no responsibility for the correctness or completeness of the same.

SECTION 2.04 *Counterparts.* This Supplemental Indenture may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be an original; but such counterparts shall constitute but one and the same instrument.

(signature page follows)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Supplemental Indenture to be duly executed as of the date hereof.

CHS/COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC.

By: /s/ Rachel A. Seifert

Name: Rachel A. Seifert

Title: Executive Vice President, Secretary & General

Counsel

[Signature Page to Supplemental Indenture]

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

/s/ Wally Jones By: Name: Wally Jones
Title: Vice President

[Signature Page to Supplemental Indenture]

SCHEDULE I

Guarantors:

Community Health Systems, Inc.

Abilene Hospital, LLC

Abilene Merger, LLC

Affinity Health Systems, LLC

Affinity Hospital, LLC

Anna Hospital Corporation

Berwick Hospital Company, LLC

Big Bend Hospital Corporation

Big Spring Hospital Corporation

Birmingham Holdings II, LLC

Birmingham Holdings, LLC

Blue Island Hospital Company, LLC

Blue Island Illinois Holdings, LLC

Bluefield Holdings, LLC

Bluefield Hospital Company, LLC

Bluffton Health System, LLC

Brownsville Hospital Corporation

Brownwood Hospital, L.P.

Brownwood Medical Center, LLC

Bullhead City Hospital Corporation

Bullhead City Hospital Investment Corporation

Carlsbad Medical Center, LLC

Centre Hospital Corporation

CHHS Holdings, LLC

CHS Kentucky Holdings, LLC

CHS Pennsylvania Holdings, LLC

CHS Virginia Holdings, LLC

CHS Washington Holdings, LLC

Clarksville Holdings, LLC

Cleveland Hospital Corporation

Cleveland Tennessee Hospital Company, LLC

Clinton Hospital Corporation

Coatesville Hospital Corporation

College Station Hospital, L.P.

College Station Medical Center, LLC

College Station Merger, LLC

Community GP Corp.

Community Health Investment Company, LLC

Community LP Corp.

CP Hospital GP, LLC

CPLP, LLC

Crestwood Hospital, LLC

Crestwood Hospital, LP, LLC

CSMC, LLC

CSRA Holdings, LLC

Deaconess Holdings, LLC

Deaconess Hospital Holdings, LLC

Deming Hospital Corporation

Desert Hospital Holdings, LLC

Detar Hospital, LLC

DHFW Holdings, LLC

DHSC, LLC

Dukes Health System, LLC

Dyersburg Hospital Corporation

Emporia Hospital Corporation

Evanston Hospital Corporation

Fallbrook Hospital Corporation

Foley Hospital Corporation

Forrest City Arkansas Hospital Company, LLC

Forrest City Hospital Corporation

Fort Payne Hospital Corporation

Frankfort Health Partner, Inc.

Franklin Hospital Corporation

Gadsden Regional Medical Center, LLC

Galesburg Hospital Corporation

Granbury Hospital Corporation

Granite City Hospital Corporation

Granite City Illinois Hospital Company, LLC

Greenville Hospital Corporation

GRMC Holdings, LLC

Hallmark Healthcare Company, LLC

Hobbs Medco, LLC

Hospital of Barstow, Inc.

Hospital of Fulton, Inc.

Hospital of Louisa, Inc.

Hospital of Morristown, Inc.

Jackson Hospital Corporation (KY)

Jackson Hospital Corporation (TN)

Jourdanton Hospital Corporation

Kay County Hospital Corporation

Kay County Oklahoma Hospital Company, LLC

Kirksville Hospital Company, LLC

Lakeway Hospital Corporation

Lancaster Hospital Corporation

Las Cruces Medical Center, LLC

Lea Regional Hospital, LLC

Lexington Hospital Corporation

Longview Clinic Operations Company, LLC

Longview Medical Center, L.P.

Longview Merger, LLC

LRH, LLC

Lutheran Health Network of Indiana, LLC

Marion Hospital Corporation

Martin Hospital Corporation

Massillon Community Health System LLC

Massillon Health System LLC

Massillon Holdings, LLC

McKenzie Tennessee Hospital Company, LLC

McNairy Hospital Corporation

MCSA, L.L.C.

Medical Center of Brownwood, LLC

Merger Legacy Holdings, LLC

MMC of Nevada, LLC

Moberly Hospital Company, LLC

MWMC Holdings, LLC

Nanticoke Hospital Company, LLC

National Healthcare of Leesville, Inc.

National Healthcare of Mt. Vernon, Inc.

National Healthcare of Newport, Inc.

Navarro Hospital, L.P.

Navarro Regional, LLC

NC-DSH, LLC

Northampton Hospital Company, LLC

Northwest Hospital, LLC

NOV Holdings, LLC

NRH, LLC

Oak Hill Hospital Corporation

Oro Valley Hospital, LLC

Palmer-Wasilla Health System, LLC

Payson Hospital Corporation

Peckville Hospital Company, LLC

Pennsylvania Hospital Company, LLC

Phillips Hospital Corporation

Phoenixville Hospital Company, LLC

Pottstown Hospital Company, LLC

QHG Georgia Holdings II, LLC

QHG Georgia Holdings, Inc.

QHG Georgia, LP

QHG of Bluffton Company, LLC

QHG of Clinton County, Inc.

QHG of Enterprise, Inc.

QHG of Forrest County, Inc.

QHG of Fort Wayne Company, LLC

QHG of Hattiesburg, Inc.

QHG of Massillon, Inc.

QHG of South Carolina, Inc.

QHG of Spartanburg, Inc.

QHG of Springdale, Inc.

QHG of Warsaw Company, LLC

Quorum Health Resources, LLC

Red Bud Hospital Corporation

Red Bud Illinois Hospital Company, LLC

Regional Hospital of Longview, LLC

River Region Medical Corporation

Roswell Hospital Corporation

Ruston Hospital Corporation

Ruston Louisiana Hospital Company, LLC

SACMC, LLC

Salem Hospital Corporation

San Angelo Community Medical Center, LLC

San Angelo Medical, LLC

San Miguel Hospital Corporation

Scranton Holdings, LLC

Scranton Hospital Company, LLC

Scranton Quincy Holdings, LLC

Scranton Quincy Hospital Company, LLC

Shelbyville Hospital Corporation

Siloam Springs Arkansas Hospital Company, LLC

Siloam Springs Holdings, LLC

Southern Texas Medical Center, LLC

Spokane Valley Washington Hospital Company, LLC

Spokane Washington Hospital Company, LLC

Tennyson Holdings, LLC

Tomball Texas Holdings, LLC

Tomball Texas Hospital Company, LLC

Tooele Hospital Corporation

Triad Healthcare Corporation

Triad Holdings III, LLC

Triad Holdings IV, LLC

Triad Holdings V, LLC

Triad Nevada Holdings, LLC

Triad of Alabama, LLC Triad of Oregon, LLC

Triad-ARMC, LLC

Triad-El Dorado, Inc.

Triad-Navarro Regional Hospital Subsidiary, LLC

Tunkhannock Hospital Company, LLC

VHC Medical, LLC

Vicksburg Healthcare, LLC

Victoria Hospital, LLC

Victoria of Texas, L.P.

Virginia Hospital Company, LLC

Warren Ohio Hospital Company, LLC

Warren Ohio Rehab Hospital Company, LLC

Watsonville Hospital Corporation

Waukegan Hospital Corporation

Waukegan Illinois Hospital Company, LLC

Weatherford Hospital Corporation

Weatherford Texas Hospital Company, LLC

Webb Hospital Corporation

Webb Hospital Holdings, LLC

Wesley Health System, LLC

West Grove Hospital Company, LLC

WHMC, LLC

Wilkes-Barre Behavioral Hospital Company, LLC

Wilkes-Barre Holdings, LLC

Wilkes-Barre Hospital Company, LLC

Williamston Hospital Corporation

Women & Children's Hospital, LLC

Woodland Heights Medical Center, LLC

Woodward Health System, LLC

Youngstown Ohio Hospital Company, LLC



Community Health Systems, Inc. Announces Completion of Offering of \$1,200 million of 7.125% Senior Notes Due 2020

FRANKLIN, Tenn.—July 18, 2012—Community Health Systems, Inc. (the "Company") (NYSE: CYH) today announced that its wholly-owned subsidiary, CHS/Community Health Systems, Inc. (the "Issuer"), had completed its offering of \$1,200 million aggregate principal amount of 7.125% Senior Notes due 2020.

As previously announced, the Company intends to use the proceeds of the offering to purchase any and all of the Issuer's approximately \$934 million aggregate principal amount of 8 7/8% Senior Notes due 2015 that are validly tendered and not validly withdrawn in the cash tender offer announced on July 3, 2012, to pay for consents delivered in connection therewith, to pay related fees and expenses and, to the extent any proceeds remain, for general corporate purposes.

The underwriters in connection with the offering were Credit Suisse, BofA Merrill Lynch, Citigroup, Credit Agricole CIB, Goldman, Sachs & Co., J.P. Morgan, Morgan Stanley, RBC Capital Markets, SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Wells Fargo Securities, Deutsche Bank Securities, Fifth Third Securities, Inc., Mitsubishi UFJ Securities, Scotiabank and UBS Investment Bank. The offering was made only by means of a prospectus and related prospectus supplement, copies of which may be obtained on the Securities and Exchange Commission's website at www.sec.gov. Alternatively, these documents may be obtained from Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC by directing a request to Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC, Document Retention, 11 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10010, or by calling (800) 221-1037 (toll-free).

This press release is neither an offer to sell nor a solicitation of an offer to buy any securities, nor shall there be any offer, solicitation or sale in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful. Such an offer can only be made by delivery of a prospectus and prospectus supplement that have been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

About Community Health Systems, Inc.

Located in the Nashville, Tennessee, suburb of Franklin, Community Health Systems, Inc. is one of the largest publicly-traded hospital companies in the United States and a leading operator of general acute care hospitals in non-urban and mid-size markets throughout the country. Through its subsidiaries, the Company currently owns, leases or operates 135 hospitals in 29 states with an aggregate of approximately 20,000 licensed beds. Its hospitals offer a broad range of inpatient and surgical services, outpatient treatment and skilled nursing care. In addition, through its subsidiary, Quorum Health Resources, LLC, the Company provides management and consulting services to non-affiliated general acute care hospitals located throughout the United States.

Forward-Looking Statements

Statements contained in this press release regarding the proposed transactions and other events are forward-looking statements that involve risk and uncertainties. Actual future events or results may differ materially from these statements. Readers are referred to the documents filed by Community Health Systems, Inc. with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K, Current Reports on Form 8-K and Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q. These filings identify important risk factors and other uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ from those contained in the forward-looking statements. The Company undertakes no obligation to revise or update any forward-looking statements, or to make any other forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

Source: Community Health Systems, Inc.

Community Health Systems, Inc. W. Larry Cash, 615-465-7000 Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer



Community Health Systems, Inc. Announces Early Tender Offer and Consent Solicitation Results For 87/8% Senior Notes Due 2015

FRANKLIN, Tenn.—July 18, 2012—Community Health Systems, Inc. (the "Company") (NYSE: CYH) today announced the early tender results of the previously announced cash tender offer by its wholly-owned subsidiary, CHS/Community Health Systems, Inc. (the "Issuer"), for any and all of the Issuer's approximately \$934 million aggregate principal amount of 8 7/8% Senior Notes due 2015 (CUSIP Nos. 12543DAD2/12543DAF7) (the "Notes"), as of 5:00 p.m., New York City time, July 17, 2012 (the "Consent Expiration" or "Withdrawal Time"), as well as the results of the previously announced consent solicitation with respect to the Notes, which expired at the Consent Expiration.

As of the previously announced Consent Expiration, \$639,705,000 aggregate principal amount, or approximately 68.5 percent, of the outstanding Notes have been validly tendered and not withdrawn, and the holders thereof have consented to the proposed amendments to the indenture governing the Notes (the "Indenture") set forth in an Offer to Purchase and Consent Solicitation Statement (the "Offer to Purchase"), that was sent to holders of the Notes. Having received the requisite consents from the holders of Notes in connection with the consent solicitation, the Company intends to execute a supplemental indenture (the "Supplemental Indenture") with respect to the Indenture, which will eliminate most of the restrictive covenants, certain events of default applicable to the Notes and certain other provisions in the Indenture. The amendments contemplated by the Supplemental Indenture will not become operative until a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Notes has been purchased by the Company pursuant to the terms of the tender offer, which is expected to occur today.

The following table sets forth the outstanding principal amount of Notes, the principal amount that had been tendered and not withdrawn as of the Withdrawal Time and the principal amount accepted for purchase:

			Aggregate Principal	Aggregate Principal
		Principal	Amount	Amount
		Amount	Tendered and Not	Accepted for
Title of Security	CUSIP Numbers	Outstanding	Withdrawn	Purchase
8 7/8% Senior Notes due 2015	12543DAD2/ 12543DAF7	\$934,331,000	\$ 639,705,000	\$ 639,705,000

Holders who validly tendered (and did not subsequently withdraw) their Notes prior to the Consent Expiration will receive "Total Consideration" of \$1,026.00 per \$1,000 principal amount of the Notes, which includes a consent payment of \$20.00 per \$1,000 principal amount of the Notes. Holders will also receive accrued and unpaid interest from the last interest payment on the applicable Notes up to, but not including, the payment date for such Notes accepted for purchase.

The Company's obligation to accept for purchase, and to pay for, any Notes pursuant to the tender offer which are tendered after the Consent Expiration is subject to satisfaction or waiver of certain conditions that are set forth in the Offer to Purchase. Holders who validly tender (and do not validly withdraw) their Notes after the Consent Expiration and prior to the expiration of the tender offer will be entitled to receive consideration equal to \$1,006.00 per \$1,000 principal amount of the Notes, plus any accrued and unpaid interest on the Notes up to, but not including, the payment date for such Notes accepted for purchase. Holders of Notes tendered after the Consent Expiration will not receive a consent payment. The tender offer will expire at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on August 1, 2012, unless extended or earlier terminated by the Company in its sole discretion.

The Issuer has retained Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC to act as Dealer Manager and Solicitation Agent in connection with the tender offer and consent solicitation. Questions about the terms of the tender offer and consent solicitation may be directed to Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC at (800) 820-1653 (toll-free) or (212) 538-2147 (collect). Copies of the tender offer documents and other related documents may be obtained from D.F. King & Co., Inc., the Tender and Information Agent for the tender offer, at (800) 290-6427 (toll-free).

This press release is neither an offer to purchase nor a solicitation of an offer to sell the Notes or any other securities. The tender offer and consent solicitation are being made only by and pursuant to the terms of the Offer to Purchase and the related Consent and Letter of Transmittal. Holders are urged to read the Offer to Purchase and related documents carefully before making any decision with respect to the tender offer and consent solicitation. Holders of Notes must make their own decisions as to whether to tender their Notes and provide the related consents. None of the Company, the Issuer, the Dealer Manager and Solicitation Agent or the Tender and Information Agent makes any recommendations as to whether holders should tender their Notes pursuant to the tender offer or provide the related consents, and no one has been authorized to make such a recommendation.

The Issuer expressly reserves the right, subject to applicable law, to terminate the tender offer and consent solicitation. This press release does not constitute a notice of redemption or an obligation to issue a notice of redemption in respect of the Notes.

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